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# INTRODUCTION

Nestorian Lectionary and the Julian Calendar are two inevitable topics for the members of the Church of the East nicknamed Nestorians. The Lectionary gives the lessons from the Bible to be read in the Churches during the Holy Qurbana. The Calendar helps us to determine the dates of the movable end immovable festivals and memorials. This book deals with both.

There are books in Syriac language dealing with this subject. But the English speaking clergy and the faithful needed a guide book to help them find out the lessons to be read in the Churches on each day. Also since several of these Churches are following the Gregorian Calendar it was essential to have some book in English to determine the festival dates. This book, therefore, would help many people to know the dates of the eastern Easter etc. As far as Christmas is concerned it is on January 7 (I Kanon 25th) until the end of the next century i. e. 2099.

Even those who know the Syriac language do not know to fix the dates of the movable feasts etc. The present writer had faced this difficulty in preparing the Syriac Calendar. There were certain years when the Syriac Calendars were printed from the Calendar published 11 years ago i. e. the Calendar of 1982 is the same as that of 1971. But it was not true in every case. Due to the leap year and other reasons the Calendars Jo not follow the eleven year rule. This diffiulty made the present writer to start the work of tudying the method of fixing the festival dates. This book is the result of that research.

The first section of the book is the lectionry. The first chapter gives the details of all the essons whether from the old or from the New estament. The next six chapters are a study of nese lessons. The present writer was always urious to know how much of the Bible is read in he Church. What are the sections which are ever read? What lessons are repeated during ne year? What is the importance given to the )Id Testament? How many psalms are read? hese Chapters try to answer many of those uestions. No comment is made on the content f the lessons. No interpretation or commentary is iven. Still for the purpose of ordinary students nese chapters are expected to provide enough naterials for study and reflection. As for the conmentary of the lessons, the present writer plans o publish separate books of some sermons on the essons from the Books of Moses, Gospels, Epitles etc.

The lessons are always repeated every year. for centuries the same lessons have been reheated. In some Churches they change the lectionary. Moreover they complete the lessons in 3 years. The repetition comes only after 3 years. In the Church of the East there is not the practice of changing the lessons.

From page 86 onwards this book deals with the Julian Calendar. The Roman Catholics and the Protestants form nearly ninty percent of these Christian population and therefore these western dates are well known to the Christians as well as to the non-Christians. In India even eastern Christians such as the Orthodox Syrian Church, Jacobite Syrian Church as well as the Mar Thoma Syrian Church which were following the Julian Calendar like the Church of the East in India, decided to adopt the Western Calendar for the sake of convenience, more than a quarter of a century ago. Hence the Church of the East locally known as the Chaldean Syrian Church is left as the only Christian community following the Julian Calendar except a few Armenians in Calcutta and other places.

This book will give accurate information on the ancient Calendar used by all the Christian Churches till 1582 A. D.

Those Churches which changed the Calendars will be able to know the dates which their forefathers observed. Some friends have laughed at the present writer when they heard that Christmas is observed on January 7th etc. But the writer reserved the last laugh for himself after he ad reminded them that they observed this date long with their parents.

The pages of this book are not wasted to prove which of the two Calendars is right. The purpose is to place on record the dates as they re observed according to the Julian Calendar. The writer of this book is neither an astronomer for an astrologer to make claims to the accuracy of one system over the other. He is only making imple calculations from the Calendars and some Syriac books on how to find festival dates.

The Easter dates of both Calendars during period of 150 years (1950-2100) is provided ide by side. The years in which they coincide or Easter are marked. That final chapter is intenled to help the Christians who follow th<sup>3</sup> Gregoian reckoning to find out their Easter and the estival dates depending on the Easter.

In pages 120 to 130, complete Calendars of four years (1979–82) are provided. Similarly the fixed festivals and movable dates are given in two chapters between p. 91 and 99. These studies will help the readers, to write out a complete Calendar for 1983 without waiting for the 1983 Calendar to be published. Some Memorial dates have been omitted in recent Syriac calendars because some saints are not as well known as other saints. Most members of the Church of the East do not know who were Thamasies, Mar Yohannan Dalyaya, Mar Gavrona, Apni Maran etc. Moreover there are no special prayers in Hudra for some of the saints. Nor are there any Churches built in their honour. Gradually memorials of some of these less known saints come to be, omitted from the Syriac Calendars published recently.

The names of the Syriac months are as follows

Nisan	- April
lyar	— May
Hsieran	— June
Thammus	- July
Ab	— August
lelol	- September
Tishrin I	— October
Tishrin II	- November
Kanon I	— December
Kanon II	- January
Shvat	- February
Adar	— March

Nisan begins on April 14th because of the difference of 13 days. Since the Julian months have the same number of days as the Gregorian months, the first of the every Gregorian month is the 14th of the corresponding Julian month.

The leap years are counted in the same way as in the English months. The month of Shvath has 28 days in the ordinary years and 29 days in the leap years.

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About leap years we have to have one caution regarding the final year of every century i. e. 1600, 1700, 1800, 1900 etc. In these the year 1600 was a leap year. But the years 1700, 1800 and 1900 were not leap years. Only if the first two figures of the century years can be exactly divided by 4. they become leap years. Other will not. This rule applies only to the century years 1900 is not a leap year. Pope Gregory determined in the 16th Century (1582) that the difference of the Gregorian Calendar rom the Julian Calendar was ten days. Since 1600 was a leap year, the difference of ten days remained until 1699 without change. 1700 was not a leap year and so the difference became 11 days for the following century. 1800 was not a eap year and hence the difference increased to 12 days in the 19th century and to 13 days during he present century. The year 2000 is going to be a leap year and hence the difference will remain as 13 days, until 2099. When we reach 2100 it is not a leap year so the difference will Increase to 14 days.

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#### HOW TO FIND HPAKHTHA

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4	22	10	15	10	0.
5	10	11	Y	17	23
3	3.0	12	.)_4	18	17
		19	6		

From the above chart one can easily find out the Hpakhta of any year. On the left hand side from 1 to 19 the corresponding sign on the right is the date of the Jewish Passover. To know the date of the Jewish Passover of a particular year we have to divide the number of that year by 19 and take the balance. That is called the *hpakhta*. Find the corresponding number on the right in the given chart. That is the date of the Passover of the Jews. If the numbers in the right is above 20 the Jewish passover is in the month of Adar. If it is less than 20, the Passover is in Nisan.

Let us take 1981. When it is divided by 19 the balance is 5 which is *Hpukhta*. The figure in the right is 10. Hence the Jewish Passover in 1981 is on Nisan 10.

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The Sunday after the Jewish Passover is Easter. So we have to find which day of the week is Nisan 10. The following chart helps us to find out the "foundation" or the beginning of the month

The months of Tishrin I to lelol are marked from left to right in the above chart. Each number is the "foundation" of that particular month. If we want to find the day of a particular month such as lelol (September) let us count the number in the column equivalent to lelol i. e. 7.

After finding foundation of the month we have to add the foundation of the year to that particular month. In order to find the foundation of the year we have to look at the following chart.

1	2	3, 4	5
6	7	1, 2	3
4	5	6, 7	1
2	3	4, 5	6
7	1	2, 3	4
5	. 6	7, 1	2
3	4	5,6	7

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Whatever year of which we want to find the foundation, we have to add 311 (the difference of the Alexandrian era) to that year. Divide that number by 23. The balance number ought to be counted from the first box of the 28 boxes in that chart. If the balance is 1 the number in the first box i. e. 1 is the foundation of the year. If the balance number is 8, the foundation of the year is No. 3, found in the 8th box. In the third column two numbers are given. The second number is applicable if the year is a leap year. If it is concerning a date in the first five months in the leap year beginning with Tishrin I. (October), the first of the two numbers is counted. If it is of any month after Svath, (February), i e. from Adar (March) onwards, the second number is taken. In the case of Easter, since it is in Adar or Nisan (April) the second number has to be taken always.

If we want to find the foundation of the year 1981 we have to add 311 to it and divide it by 28. The remainder is 24.

 $1981+311 = 2292 \div 28 = 81$  Remainder is 24. In the above chart in the 24th box we find the number 2. Hence the foundation of the year 1981 is 2.  $1985 \pm 311 = 2296 \pm 28 = 82$ . There is no emainder. So we have to count the 28th box in ne chart. The number there is 7. Hence the bundation of the year 1985 is 7.

After adding the foundation of that partiular year to that month, we divide it by 7. If ne balance is 1, the first day of that month is unday. If it is 2, the month begins on Monday. The balance is zero, the first day of the month is Saturday.

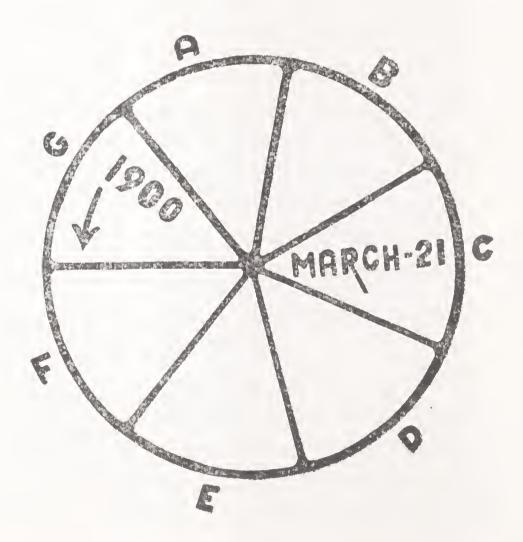
Let us see what day is the beginning of isan (April) in 1931. Since Nisan is the 7th nonth, the foundation of the month is one. It is idded to the foundation of the year. 1+2=3. cannot be divided by 7. The 3 is the balance. lence it is Tuesday, we have seen already that in 1981 Jewish Passover is on Nisan 10. ince Nisan I begins on Tuesday, Nisan 8 is also in Tuesday. Hence Passover on Nisan 10 is on Thursday. The following Sunday Nisan 13 i. e. opril 26 is Easter.

Easter should be observed on the 1st unday after the full moon that follows the vernal quinox. Since vernal equinox is on March 21 he western Easter can come between March 22 nd April 25. During 100 years from 1981, the atest date the western Easter comes is on April 5, which is in 2038 only. During the period

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the earliest date is March 23 which is in 2008 only.

In order to determine the date of Easter it is essential to get the date of the full moon, which can be determined by the 'Sunday letter'. The seven days of the week are numbered A B C D E F G. In 1900 A. D. Sunday letter was G. Also C comes on March 21 every year according to Gregorian Calendar. If we want to know the day of any date during this century, we can look at the following chart and determine how many letters behind the letter G it is.



Let us take 1981. It is 81 years after 1900 A. D. When this 81 is divided by 7, the balance is 4. So it is 4 letters behind G i. e, C. We also know that there were 20 leap years in 81 years. So we have to add that 20 to the earlier balance of 4. It becomes 24. It is 3 places behind G, i. e. D. If D is Sunday, E is Monday, F is Tuesday and G. is Wednesday, A is Thursday, B is Friday and C is Saturday. Hence March 21 in 1981 was Saturday. Therefore the full moon after March 21 was a Saturday. The Gregorian Easter was on the next Sunday i. e. on April 19.

The author is indebted to many friends who assisted him in the preparation of this book. He expresses his gratitude to the late Roman Catholic Bishop of Trichur Dr. George Alappat who responded to the author's enquiry regarding the fixing of western Easter by supplying the author with his booklet in Malayatam called Easter Ganitham. A book, prepared by the Archbishop of Canterbury's Assyrian Mission in 1893 in Syriac language with various calculations and charts has been a great help to determine the Easter date according to the Eastern Calendar. He is also grateful to Mr. N. V. Rappai, editor of the Voice of the East, who assisted him with some calculations, and also persuading the author to translate more pages from Syriac books to

clarify his own doubts on several rules to determine Eastern Easter.

Finally gratitude must be expressed to Father Duprey of the Secretariat for Christian Unity in Vatican who supplied the author with a recent study on the Easter date of both Gregorian and Julian Calendar prepared by the Orthodox Church in Chambesy, Switzerland for the preparation of the Holy Synod of the Pan Orthodox Conference. Although it arrived after a major portion of the book had been printed it was a great help indeed.

Mar Narsai Press which publishes several books on the Church of the East needs to be congratulated for their good work.

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# LECTIONARY

#### CHAPTER I

First Sunday of "Annunciation" (Subara) (14 Dec. 1980) Balms 96, 97, 98

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Second Sunday of "Annunciation"

(21 Dec. 80)

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Numbers 22: 9 - 23: 2	
Isa. 43: 14 - 44: 6	
Col. 4:2 end	
Luke 1:26 - 57	
	Numbers 22: 9 - 23: 2 Isa. 43: 14 - 44: 6 Col. 4:2 end

Third Sunday of "Annunciation" (28 Dec. 80)

Psalms 96, 97,	98
I (Law)	Gen. 18:20
II (Prophecy)	Judges 13:2 - 25
Apostle	Eph. 3.
Gospel	Luke I:57 - end
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Fourth Sunday of "Annunciation" (4 January 81) Psalms 96, 97, 98 1 (Law) Gen. 24:50 end II (Prophecy) | Sam. 1:1 - 19 Eph. 5:5 - 21 Apostle Matt. I:18 end Gospel The Nativity (Eda d'Yelda) (7 January 81) Psalms 96, 97, 98 1 (Prophecy) Isa. 7:10 - 16 & 9:1 - 4; 6-8 II (Prophecy) Micah 4: I-4 & 5: 2 - 5; 7-10 Gal. 3:15 - 4:7 Apostle Gospel Luke 2:1 - 21 First Sunday of Nativity (11 January 81) Psalms 96, 97, 98 1 (Law) Gen. 21:1-22 Sam. I: 19-end II (Prophecy) Gal. 4:18 - 52 Apostle Gospel Matt. 2. First Friday (Mart Mariam) (16 January 81) Psalms 96, 97, 98 Exod. 15:11 - 22 I (Law)(Prophecy) Micah 6:1 - 6 & Jer. 31:13 - 18 Acts I:1 - 9; 13 - 15 II (Acts) Apostle Rom. 16 Gospel Luke I:26 - 57 (or Matt. I:I - 6, 16 - end)

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Second Sunday of Nativity (18 January 81)

od. 2;1 – 11
. 49:1 – 1
Tim. 2:16-end
ke 2:21 - end

Epiphany (19 January 81)

Psalms	96, 97, 98
I (Law)	Numb. 24:2 - 10 & 15 - end
II (Prophecy)	Isa. 4:2 - 6 & II:1 - 6
	& 12:4 - end
Apostle	Titus 2:11 - 3:8
Gospel	Matt. 3.

St. John the Baptist Day (23 January 81)

Psalms: 19, 20, 21 Isaiah 35: 3-end; 40:1-9 Acts 13: 13-34 Ephesians 2: 19-3:-end Mark 6; 14-30

1st Sunday after Epiphany (25 January '81)

Psalms 96, 97, 98 Exodus 3: 1-16 Isaiah 44: 21-45:5 II Thimothy 3: 1-16 Luke 4: 14-31 Memorial of Pathrose & Poulose (30th January 1981)

Psalms 33, 34 II Kings 4:8-38 Acts 9:32-43 14: 8-16 20: 7-13 II Cor 10:1-8 11: 21-end Matthew 16: 13-20 John 21: 15-end

Memorial of Four evangelists

(30th January '81)

Psalms 33, 34 I Kings 18, 30-40 Acts 5: 12-33 I Cor 4: 9-17 II Cor 1:8-15 Matthew 10: 1-15

(Pathrose & Poulose is observed on the same date with Four evangelists in 1981 i-e on 30 January.)

2nd Sunday after Epiphany (1 Feb '81) Psalms 96, 97, 98 Numbers 10: 29-11:11 Isaiah 45: 11-18 Hebrews 3: 1-14 John 1: 1-29

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\* 3rd Sunday after Epiphany (1 Feb' 81)

Psalms: 96. 97, 98 Numbers: 11: 11-21 Isaiah 45: 18-46:5 Hebrews 3: 14-4:11 John 1: 29-43

Memorial of Esthapanose

(6th February '81)

Psalms :19, 20, 21 I Kings 21: 1-22 Acts 6:8-7:2 , 7:51-8:3 II Cor 3:13-4: end Matthew 11:20-end 23:29-end

4th Sunday after Epiphany (8 Feb '81)

Psalms 96, 97, 98 Numbers 11: 23-end Isaiah 46: 5-end Hebrews 7: 18-end John 1: 43-2: 12

\* Due to the shortage of weeks Ind Sunday and IIIrd Sunday are observed on the same date in 1981, i.e. on Feb 1.

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Memorial of Greek Doctors
                           (13th February '81)
    (Such as Diodore, Theodore & Nestorius)
          Psalms 33, 34
        I Samuel 22: 6-22
        Acts 21: 27-35
             22:30-23:17
        II Thimothy 2: 8-20
                 4: 1-9; 14-19
        Matthew 4:23-5:20
5th Sunday after Epiphany (15 Feb 81)
        Psalms 96, 97, 98
        Dueteronomy 18: 9-end
        Isaiah 48: 12-21
        Hebrews 6:9-7:4
        John 3: 1-22
Bavootha (Rogation) of the Ninavites
                         Monday (16 Feb-81)
        Isaiah 63; 17-64: end
        Amos 5: 3-16
        Habakuk 3: 1-end
        I Thimothy 2: 1-11
        Matthew 5: 17-38 or 18: 23-end
Tuesday (17 Feb '81)
        1 Sam 7: 3-end
        Isaiah 59: 1-19
        Roman 12: 1-end
        Luke 18: 1-15
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Wednesday (18 Feb '81) Joel 2: 1-28 Jona 3: 1-end Colossians 3: 1-4:2 (or Romans 9: 14-10:18) Matthew 6:1-19 Thursday (Thanks giving) (19 Feb '81) Isaiah 65: 16-66:3 Jeremiah 17: 21-27 Romans 10: 1-14 (or Hebrews: 12: 14-end) John 16: 23-end Memorial of Syriac Doctors (20th February' 81) (Such as Mar Aprem and Mar Narsai) Psalms 33, 34 II Kings 13: 14-22 Acts 12:25-13:13 Hebrews 13: 1-9, 16-22 Matthew 16:21-17:10 6th Sunday after Epiphany (22nd Feb '81) Psalms 96, 97, 98 Deuteronomy 24: 9-end Isaiah 63: 7-17 Hebrews 8: 1-9:11 John 3: 22-4:4

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Memorial of one Person (27th February '81)

Psalms 19, 20, 21 or 25, 26, 27

62 (if the person is a martyr)

Isaiah 41: 8-17

Acts 18:19-19:21

Matthew 24: 45-47

25: 14-24

(If the person is a martyr)

Matthew 10: 37-end

19: 27-end

(This is used on 27 Feb '81 for the Memorial

Day of Mar Awa Catholicos. It can be used for

other Memorials where no special lectionary is
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prescribed.)

7th Sunday after Epiphany (1 March' 81) Psalms 96, 97, 98 Deuteronomy 14: 2-15: 1-5 Isaiah 42: 5:10, 14-18 I Thimothy 6: 9-end Matthew 7: 28 8:14 \* Sth Sunday after Epiphany Psalms 96, 97, 98 Exodus 15: 22-27

Isaiah 44: 23-45 Ephesians 1: 15-2:8 Mark 1: 1-12

 \* 8th Sunday comes only rarely. In 1981 there is no 8th Sunday. Such a Sunday comes only when Easter is in May. estorian Lectionary

Friday of the Departed (Anneedhe)

6 March '81

Psalms 87, 88 Ezekiel 37: 1-15 Bar Sira 44: 1-23 1 Cor 15: 34-58 John 5: 19-30 (or Matthew 25: 31-end)

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Tst Sunday Sth March 1981 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Exodus 34: 1-8; 27-end Isaiah 58: 1-14 Ephesians 4: 17-5: 5; 15-22 Matthew 3:16-4:12

Ist Monday 9th March '81

Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 1: 1-29 Joshua 1: 1-16 Romans 1: 1-26 Matthew 5: 17-38

Ist Tuesday 10th March '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 1:20-2:8 Joshua 1:16-2:12 Romans 5: 38-end

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Ist Wednesday 11th March '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 2: 8-end Joshua 2: 8-end Romans 2: 6-28 Matthew 6: 1-19
Ist Thursday 12 March '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 3: 1 - 20 Joshua 3: 1 - 14 Romans 2:28 - 3:27 Matthew 6;19 - end
Ist Friday 13 March '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 3:20 - 4:17 Joshua 3:14 - 4:10 Romans 3:27 - 4 - end Matthew 7:1 - 15
7 Ind Sunday 15 March '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 5:18 - 32 Joshua 4:15 - end Romans 5:1 - end Matthew 7:15 - 28
IInd Friday 20 March '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 5:32 - 6 end Joshua 5:1 - 13 Romans 7:1 - 12 Mark 11:27 - 12:13

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IIIrd Sunday 22 March '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 7:1-end Joshua 5:13-6:6 Romans 7:14-25 Matthew 20:17-29 IIIrd Friday 27 March '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 9:8-end Joshua 6:6-end Romans 7: 25 - 8:12 Mark 12:13 - 35 IVth Sunday 29 March '81 Psalms 144; 145, 146 Genesis 11:1 - end Joshua 6:27 - 7:16 Romans 8:12 - 28 Matthew 21:25 - end Il th Monday 30 March '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 12:1 - 10 Joshua 7:16 end Romans 9:1-14 John 5; 1-19 IV th Tuesday 31 March '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 12:10-13:8 Joshua 8:1-18 Ròmans 9:14-30 John 5:19-end

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Wednesday Mid-Lent 1 April '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 13:8-end Joshua 8:11-30 Romans 9:30-10:18 John 6:51-70 IV th Thursday 2 April '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 14: 1-18 Joshua 8: 30 - end Romans 10: 17 - 11: 13 John 7: 1-14 IVth Friday 3 April '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 14:18-15:16 Joshua 9:1-15 Romans 11: 25-end John 7:14 - 37 Fth Sunday 5 April '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 16:1-17 end Joshua 19:15 - end Romans 2:11-end John 7:37-end 8:12-21 Vth Friday 10 April '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 18:1-20 Joshua 14; 6-end Romans 13:1-end John 8:31-end

VIth Sunday 12 April 81 Psalms 144, 145, 116 Genesis 19:1 - 27 Joshua 20:43 - 22:10 Romans 14:10 - end John 9:39 - 10:22 VIth Friday (Memorial of Lazar) 17 April 81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 19:27 - 31 Joshua 22:10 - 21 Romans 15:1 - 14 John 1 1:1-15 VIIth Sunday that is Palm Sunday 19 April 81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 49: 1-13, 22 - 27 Zacharia 3:7 - 4:7; 11- end 7:9 - 11 8:4 - 6; 12 - 20 9:9 - 13 Remans 11:13 - 25 Matthew 20:29 - 21:23 VIIth Monday 20 April 81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Genesis 37: 1-23 Joshua 22:21 - 30 Hebrews 1:1 - 2 - endJohn 11:47 - 12:12

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VIIth Tuesday 21 April 81
         Psalms 144, 145, 146
         Genesis 37:23 - end
         Joshua 22:30 - 23:2
         Hebrews 4:14 - 6:9
         John 12:12 - 44
VIIth Wednesday 22 April 81
Psalms 144, 145, 146
         Genesis 39:7 - 40 - end
         Joshua 23:1 - end
         Hebrews 9:11 - end
         John 13:1 - 18
Pisha (Passover) 23 April 81
         Psalms 144, 145, 146
         Exodus 11:1 - 21
         Zacharia 9:9 - 13
                 11:4 - 6;12 - 14
                  12:9 - end
                 13:7 - end
         1 Cor. 5:7 – 9
                 10:15 - 18
                 11:23 - end
        Matthew 26:1 - 6; 14 - 31
Night of Friday of Passion 24 April 81
        Matthew 26:31 - 45
        Luke 22:43 - 46
        Matthew 26:45 - 50
        Luke 22:48
        Matthew 26:50, 51
        John 18:10, 11
        Matthew 26:52 - end
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Friday of Passion 24 April 81 Isaiah 52;13 - end 53:1 - end Daniel 9:21 - end Galatians 2:17 - 3:15 Luke 22:63 - 23:13 Matthew 27:3 - 11; 19 - 20Luke  $2^{3:13} - 24$ Matthew 26:24 - 26Luke 23:24 - 45 Matthew 37:51 - 55 John 19:23 - end Matthew 27:60 Luke 23:54 - end Baptism 1 Cor 10.1 - 14John 2;23 - 39 Great Saturday 25 April 81 Genesis 22:1 - 29 Jonah 2:1 - end 1 Cor I;18 - end Matthew 27:62 - end 26 April 1981 Easter Sunday Evening I Cor 15:20 - 29 Matthew 28:1 - end Morning Luke 24:1 - 13

Qurbana Psalms 96, 97, 98 Isaiah 60:1 - 8 I Samuel 2:1 - 11 Romans 5:20 - 6; end Hebrews 13:20 - 22 John 20:1 - 19 Monday of Shabbath Shabbe 27 April 1981 Isaiah 60:9 - end Acts 2:14 - 37 Ephesians 6:10 - end John 14:18 - 15:16 Tuesday of Shabbath Shabbe 28 April 1981 Isaiah 61:1 - 10 Acts 2:37 - end l Cor 15:1 - 20 Luke 24:13 - 36 Wednesday of Shabbath Shabbe 29 April 1981 Isaiah 61:10 - 62:6 Acts 4:23 - 32 Ephesians 4:1 - 17 John 15:1 - 26 Thursday of Shabbath Shabbe 30 April 1981 Isaiah 54:1 - 16 Acts 6:1 - 8 Colossians 2:8 - 3:5 Matthew 10:1 - 16

riday of the Confessors 1 May 1981 Psalms 33, 34, 35 Daniel 6:6 - end Acts 6:8 - 7:2, 51 - 8:3 Hebrews 11:3 - 11, 32 - 12:3 Matthew 10;16 - 34 lew Sunday 3 May 1981 Psalms 96, 97.98 Isaiah 55:4-end Acts 4:32-5:6 Col 1:1-21 John 20:19-end "emorial of Mar Geevarghese, the Martyr 7 May 1981 Psalms 19, 20, 21 Daniel 6:6-end Acts 12:1-25 Philippians 1:12-27 Or Il Corinthians 12:1-14 Matthew 10:37-end 19:27-end IIrd Sunday after Easter 10 May 1981 Psalms 96, 97, 98 Isaiah 55:1-8 Acts 5:34-end Ephesians 1:1-15 John 14:1-15 5

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Memorial of Rabban Hormizd

Philemon 1-end Matthew 24:45-47 ,, 25:14-24

Memorial of the Children of Shmoni

16 May 19

Psalms 33:34 Daniel 6:6-end Acts 6:8-7:2, 51-8:3 Hebrews: 11:3-11, 32-12:3 Matthew: 10:16-34

IV th Sunday after Easter 17 May 1981

Psalms 96, 97, 98 Isaiah 49:13-24 Acts 8:14-26 Ephesians 1:15-2:6 John 16:16-end

Vth Sunday after Easter 24 May 1981

Psalms 96, 97, 98 Isaiah 49:7-14 Acts 9:1-20 Hebrews 10:19-37 John 21:1-51

"Ith Sunday after Easter 31 May 1981 Psalms 96, 97, 98 Isaiah 51: 9-12 , 52:7 -13 Acts 10: 1-17 Ephesians 2: 4-end John 17: 1-end Festival of Ascension 4 June 1981 Psalms 96, 97, 98 II Kings 2:1 -16 Acts 1:1-16 | Timotheus 1: 18-2 end 3: 14-end Luke 24:36-end Sunday after Ascensioh 7 June 1981 Psalms 96, 97, 98 Isaiah 6:1-end Acts 1:15-end Philippians 1:27-2:12 Mark 16:2-end restival of Pentecost 14 June 1981 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Exodus 19:1-10, 20:17-22 Acts 2:1-22 l Corinth 12: 1-28 John 14:15-18, 25-27 ,, 15:26-16:16

For worship John 4:4-31 Friday of gold 19 June 1981 Psalms 33, 34 Isaiah 35:3-end Acts 3:1-end I Corinth. 12: 28-13 end Luke 7: 1-24 IInd Sunday of Apostles 21 June 1981 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Joel 2: 15-27 Acts 4: 5-23 l Corinth 5: 6-6:12 Luke 7:31-end IIIrd Sunday of Apostles 28 June 1981 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Dueteronomy 1: 3-18 Isaiah 1: 1-10 I Corinth. 6: 1-8 Luke 10: 23-end IV th Sunday of Apostles 5 July 1981 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Dueteronomy 1:16-34 Isaiah 1: 10-21 | Corinthians 9:13-end Luke 6: 12-47

Vth Sunday of Apostles 12 July 1981 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Dueteronomy 1:33-2:2 Isaiah 1:21-end I Corinthians 14:1-20 Luke 12:16-35 Memorial of St. Thomas 16 July 1981 Psalms 25, 26, 27 Isaiah 55:4-end Jeremiah 1:4-6, 17-19 15:19-end Ephesians 3:1-end (Or | Cor, 15:1-20) John 20:19-end VIth Sunday of Apostles 19 July 1981 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Dueteronomy 4:1-10

Psalms 144, 145, 146 Dueteronomy 4:1-10 Isaiah 2:1-22 I Cor. 10:14-33 Luke 12:57-13:18

### VIIth Sunday of Apostles 26 July 1981

Psalms 144, 145, 146 Dueteronomy 4:10-25 Isaiah 5:8-26 I Cor. 15:58-I6: end Luke I3:22-end

Memorial of Mar Kuriakose the Martyr Psalms 33, 34 [28 July 1981 Daniel 6:6-end Acts 6:8-7:2, 51-8:3 Hebrews II:3-II, 32-I2:3 Matthew 10:16-34 Final Friday of Shavoa of Apostles 31 July '81 (Which is the memorial of 72 apostles) Psalms 33,34. Isaiah 41:8-21 Acts 13:13-24 14:20-24 Romans 8:28-9:6 Matthew 10:37-11:16 Final Sunday of Apostles 2 August 1981 Or First Sunday of Summer which is called Nusardail which is interpreted as the Festival of God & the Memorial of 12 apostles Psalms 144, 145, 146-Kings 18:30-40 (or Deuteronomy 4:25-32)

> Acts 5:12-33 (or Isaiah 2:22-3;16)

II Corinthians 1:8-15

Luke 14:1-15

IInd Sunday of Summer 9 August 1981 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Deuteronomy 4:1-41 Isaiah 3:16-4: end Il Cor. 3:4-end Luke 15:4-end IInd Friday of Summer 14 August 1981 (Which is the memorial of Mar Mari Sleeha, disciple of the East) Psalms 33,34,. Isaiah 41:8-21 Acts 13:13-24 14:20-24 Romans 8:28-9:6 Matthew 10:37-11:16 IIIrd Sunday of Summer 16 August 1981 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Deuteronomy 5:1-17 Isaiah 5:1-8 II Cor. 7:1-12 John 9:1-39 Festival of Transfiguration 19 August 1981 Psalms 96, 97,98 Exodus 19:1-10 ... 20:18-22 Isaiah 6:1-end II Thimothy 1:18-2: end 3:14-end , , (or Hebrews 12:18-end) Matthew 16:24-17:10

IV th Sunday of Summer 23 August 1981

Psalms 144, 145, 146 Deuteronomy 5: 16-6:4 Isaiah 9:8-end II Cor:10:1-end Mark 7:-1-24

Vth Sunday of Summer 30 August 1981

Psalms 144, 145, 146 Leviticus 23:9-23 Isaiah 28:14-23 II Cor. 12:14-13 end Luke 16:19-17:11

Vth Friday of Summer 4 September 1981 Memorial of Shmonie and her children, Martyrs.

Psalms 33, 34,35 Daniel 5:6-end Acts 6:8-7:2, 51-8:3 Hebrews 11:3-11, 32-12:3 Matthew 10:16-34

With Sunday of Summer 6 September 1981

Psalms 144, 145, 146 Leviticus 19:1-5, 9-15 Isaiah 29:13-end I Thessalonians 2:1-13 Luke 17:5-20

VIth Friday of Summer 11 September 1981 (Memorial of Mar Shimun Bar Sabbae) Psalms 19, 20, 21 Zachariah 30:1-9 2:1-10Malachie 2:5-8 Ephesians 4:1-17 John 15:1-26 VIIth Sunday of Summer 13 Sept. '81 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Leviticus 19:15-19 20:9-15 Isaiah 30:1-15 I Thessalonians 2:14-3; end Luke 18:2-15 Ist Sunday of Elia 20 Sept. 1981 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Deuteronomy 6:20-7:6 Isaiah 31:1-end II Thessalonians 1:1-end Luke 18:35-19:11 Festival of the Cross 26 Sep. 1981 Psalms 96, 97, 98 Isaiah 52:13-53: end Acts 2:14-37 I Cor 1:10-end Luke 24:13-36 6

Ist Sunday of Cross & 4th Sunday of Elia 27 Sep. 1981

> Psalms 96, 97, 98 Deuteronomy 8:11-end Isaiah 33:13-end Philippians 1:27-2:12 Matthew 4:12-5:17

IInd Sunday of Elia 4 October 1981

Psalms 144, 145, 146 Deuteronomy 7:7-12 Isaiah 30:15-27 Il Thessalonians 2:15-end of Epistle Matthew 13:1-24

IIIrd Sunday of Elia 11 October 1981 Psalms 144, 145, 146 Deuteronomy 7:12-end Isaiah 32:1-33:7 Philippians 1:12-26 Matthew 13 24-44

Note. The 4th Elia has to coincide with the first Sunday after the festival of the Cross. The festival of the cross is a fixed date i e. 26th September. Therefore the Sunday after 26th September is fixed as first Sunday of the Cross as well as fourth Sunday after Elia.

The other Sundays of Elia will be changed accordingly. If the Easter is late, second and hird Sundays of Elia will come after the 4th of Elia which is fixed as the first Sunday after the festival of the Cross. If the Easter is early the 5th of Elia, the 6th of Elia etc will come before the lfestival of the Cross.

In 1981 the first Sunday after the festival of the Cross is 27th September which has to be 4th of Elia. But the previous week 20th Sept. is fixed as 1st of Elia. If the Easter of 1981 was one week earlier, 4th of Elia would have come after 2nd of Elia If Easter is very late, some of the Sundays of Moses are omitted. If it is as late as possible, even the last Sunday of Elijah was omitted.

In 1957, when Easter was as early as on April 8, 3rd Sunday of Elia came after the 4th Sunday of Elia. In 1959 when Easter was as late as on May 3rd, Elia 2nd and 3rd came after Elia 4th. In that late Easter year the Sundays of Moses after 1st Moses were omitted. In 1976 when Easter was on April 25, the 4th Elia came before 2nd Elia and 3rd Elia. All Sundays of Moses after 1st Moses were omitted. In 1978 when Easter was on April 30, 4th Elia came before the 2nd & 3rd Elia. Here all Sundays of Moses were omitted.

IInd Sunday of Cross & 18 Oct. 1981 Wth Sunday of Elia Psalms 96, 97, 98 Deuteronomy 9:1-9 Isaiah 25:1-9 Philippians 3:1-15 Matthew 17:14-end IIIrd Sunday of Cross 25 Oct. 1981 VIth Sunday of Elia Psalms 96, 97, 98 Deuteronomy 9:13-23 Isaiah 26:1-20 Philippians 4:4-end Matthew 15:21-39 IV th Sunday of Cross 1 Nov. 1981 VIIth Sunday of Elia Psalms 96, 97, 98 Deuteronomy 10;12-end Isaiah 28:23-29:13 I Cor. 14;26-end Matthew 18:1-19 Ist Sunday of Moses 8 Nov. 1981 Psalms 96, 97, 98 Deuteronomy 11:1-13 Isaiah 40:1-18 II Cor. 1:23\_2:17 Matthew 20:1-17

#### Ind Sunday of Moses

Psalms 96, 97, 98 Deuteronomy 11:13-12:2 Isaiah 40:13-41:8 Galatians 5:16-end Luke 8:40-end

#### IIIrd Sunday of Moses

Psalms 96, 97, 98 Deuteronomy 12:1-26 Isaiah 41:8-21 Galatians 2:1-end John 5:1-19

#### IV th Sunday of Moses

Psalms 96, 97, 98 Deuteronomy 12:29-14:3 Isaiah 41:21-42:5 I Timothy 7:1-17 Matthew 8:23-9:10 (or John 4:4-<sup>3</sup>1)

## Ist Sunday of Qudush Idtha 15 Nov 1981

Psalms 147, 148, 149, 150 Exodus 40:17-end Isaiah 6:1-end I Cor. 12:28-13: end Matthew 16:13-20 21:12-14 IInd Sunday of Qudash Idtha 22 Nov 1981 Psalms 147, 148, 149, 150 Exodus 39;32-40;17 I Kings 8:10-29 Hebrews 8:1-9;5 Matthew 12:1-14 IIIrd Sunday of Qudash Idtha 29 Nov 1981 Psalms 147, 148, 149, 150 Numbers 7:1-11 9:15-21 Isaiah 54:1-16 Hebrews 9:5-16 (or I Cor. 2:10-3 end) John 2:12-23

IV th Sunday of Qudash Idtha 6 Dec. 1981
Psalms 147, 148, 149, 150
I Kings 6:1-20
Ezekiel 43:1-7
, 44:1-6
Hebrews 9:16-end
Matthew 22:41-23:23

Note: Psalm I47 in Syriac starts from verse I2 of Psalm I47 in English or Malayalam. That is to say the first II verses of Psalm I47 is I46 in Syriac. This is because Psalms II4 and II5 in English are numbered together as II4 in Syriac. Therefore Psalms II5 to I46 in Syriac are one number behind the numbering in other languages.

#### CHAPTER II

## GOSPEL LESSONS

## The Gospel lessons read throughout the year

The same is repeated every year. All the chapters of the gospel of John are read. But some chapters in other three gospels are omitted. The gospel of Mark is the least read. Only 6 chapters of the 16 chapters of Mark are read. In the Luke's gospel 6 Chapters are omitted and the remaining 18 chapters are read. In the gospel of Matthew only two chapters (14 & 22) are omitted and the remaining 26 chapters are read. Repetitions are rare. In some cases where Mark and Luke are omitted, the same incidents are read from Matthew or John or both.

Nii	3,5,9,11 20,21	2-5,8-10 13-15	Chapters } 14,22 Not read }	20
1-21	1,2,4,6-8, 10,12-18, 19,22-24	1,6,7,11, 12,16	Chapters } 1-13,15-21,23-28	
2,4,5,9	8,15-18 19,24	7	August — } 4,5, 8-13, 15-18 Dec. } 20,21	500
4,14-17 20-21	6,7,10 12-14,24	16	} 10,11,19,	2
5-13, 18-20	22-24	11,12	April - S	26
1,3-5,16,21	1,2,4,18	. 1,6	March	x 61
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Gospel lessons from the beginning of Advent to the beginning of Lent 14 Dec. to 6 March 81

MATTHEW	MARK	LUKE	JOHN
		1:1-26	
		1:26-57	*
		1:57-en	d
1:18 end			
		2:1-21	
2:1-end			
(1:1-6,16-e)		(1:26-57	7)
		2:21-en	d
3:1-end			
	6:14-30		
		4:14-31	
			21:15-end
10:1-16			
			1:1-29
			1:29-43
25:29-end )			
1.02 5.00			1:43-2:12
4:25-0.20			9 1 00
5.17 20 00			3:1-22
10.20-0110		10.1 15	
6.1-10		19.1-19	
0.1 13			
	1:18 end 2:1-end (1:1-6,16-e) 3:1-end	<pre>1:18 end 2:1-end (1:1-6,16-e) 3:1-end 6:14-50 10:1-16 11:20-end } 23:29-end } 4:23-5:20 5:17-38 or 18:23-end</pre>	<pre>1:1-26 1:26-57 1:57-en 2:1-21 2:1-end (1:1-6,16-e) (1:26-57 2:21-en 3:1-end 6:14-50 4:14-31 10:1-16 11:20-end 23:29-end } 4:23-5:20 5:17-38 or 18:23-end 18:1-15</pre>

	MATTHEW	MAF	K LUK	E JOHN
19-2-31				16:23-end
20-2-81	16:24-17:10			
22-2-81				3:22-4:4
27-2-81	24:15-472			
	25:14-24 \$			
or	10:37-e } 19:27-e }			
<u>ب</u>	19:27-е (			
1-3-81	7:28-8:14			
6-3-81	25:31-end			5:19-30
8th Sunda	ay 1:1	1-12		
if any.				
Chapters	1-7,10,	1,6	1,2,4,18	1,3-5,
	11,16,18,			16,21
	19,23-25			

Gospel lessons from the beginning of Lent to the end of Easter. 8 March 81 to 26 April 81

	MATTHEW	MARK	LUKE	JOHN
8-3-81	3:16-4:12			
9-3 81	5:17-38			
10-8-81	5:38-end		•	
11-3-81	6:1-19			
12 3-81	6:19-e			
13-3-81	7:1-15			
15-3-81	7:15-28			
20-3-81	11:	27-12:13		
22-3-81	20:17-29			

MATTHEW MARK LUKE JOHN -3-81 12:11-35 3-81 21:23-end -3-81 5:1-19 -3-81 5:19-end 4-81 6:51-70 1-91 7:1-14 7:14-37 4-81 4-81 7:37-end) 8:12-21 -4 81 8:31-end -4-81 9:39-10:22 -4-81 11:1-15 -4-81 20:29-21:23 -4-81 11:47-12:12 -4-81 12:12-44 -4-81 13:1-18 -4-81 25:1-614-31 -4-81 26:31-45 22:43-4 18:10,11 45-50 48 orning 50,51  $52 \cdot end$ ternoon 27: 3-11 19-20 22:63-23:13 24-26 13-24 19:23-end 51-55 24 - 4560 54-end

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	MATTHEW	MARK	LUKE	JOH
25-4-81	27:62-e			
26-4-81	28:1-end		24:1-13	20:1-1
(Easter)	Evening	N	Aorning	Quibar
Chapters	3-7,20,21 26-28	11,12	22-24	5-13,18-2
	essons from the Peric	od of A	postles	
	27 April 81 1	to 2nd.	August	81
	MATTHEW	MAR	K LUI	KE JOH
27-4-81				14:18
				15:1
28 ,			24:13	-
29 ,, 30 ,,	10:1-16			15:1-2
1-5-81	10:16-34			20:19-
8 ,,				14:1-1
7 ,,	10:37-end } 19:27-end }			
10 ,,	24:45-47 25 14-24 }			
17 ,,	10:16-34			16:16-
24 ,,				21:1-1
31 ,,				17:1-
4-6-81			24:36-e	nd
7 ,,	1	6:2-end		

LUKE JOHN MARK MATTHEW 14:15-18, 4-6-81 25-27 15:26-16:16 7:1-24 4:4-31 9 . 7:31-end 1 ,, 3 10:23-end , , 6:12-47 5-7-81 12:16 - 352 ,, 6 20:19-end , , 12:57-13:18 9 ,, 26 13:22-end , , 28 10:16-34 ,, 31 10:37-11:16 14:1-15 ... 2-8-81 Chapters 10,11,19, 16 6,7,10,12-14 4,14-24 & 25 & 24. 17,20 & 21. Jospel Lessons From the 2nd Sunday of Summer to the end of Qudash Idtha 9 Aug. 81 to 6 December 1981 Mark Matthew Luke John 15:4-end 9-8-81 14-8-81 10:37-11:16 16-8-81 9:1-39 19-8-81 16:24-17:10 7:1-24 23-8-81 30-8-81 16:19-17:11 4-9-81 10:16-34

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MA	TTHEW	MARK	LUKE	JOHN
6-9-81			17:5-20	
11-9-81				15:1-26
13-9-81			18:2-15	
20-9-81			18:35-19:1	1
26-9-81		4	24:13-36	
	4:12-5:17			
4-10-81	13:1-24			
11-10-81	13:24-44			
18-10-81	17:14-end			
25-10-81	15:21-39 18:1-19			
8-11-81	20:1-17			
15-11-81	16:13-20			
	21:12-14			
22-11-81	12:1-14			
29-11-81				2:12-23
6-12-81	22:41-23:	23		
Not used in	1981			
IInd Moses	ò		8:40-er	nd
IIIrd Moses	5			5:1-19
IVth Moses	8:23-9:10		0	r 4:4-31)
Chapters	4,5,8-13,		7 8,15,	2,4,5,
	16-18,20,2	1	19,24	7,15
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The Sunday of Moses are to be used in the end of October and the beginning of November before the festival of Oudash Idtha (Hallowing of the Church). These are necessary only if the Easter comes in the first half of April. In 1981, only the 1st week of Moses is used i. e, on 8 November.

### Chapter III

## **LESSONS FROM THE EPISTLES**

### From beginning of Advent to the beginning of Lent. 14 Dec. 1980 to 6 March 1981

.4-12-80	Ephesians	5:21-6:10
21-12-80	Colossians	4:2-end
28-12-80	Ephesians	3:1-end
4- 1-81		5:5-21
7-1-81	Galatians	3:15-4:7
111-1-81		4:18-5:2
16-1-81	Romans	16:1-end
18-1-81	Il Timothy	2:16-end
19-1-81	Titus	2:11-3:8
23-1-81	Ephesians	2:19-3-end
25-1-81	II Timothy	3:1-16
30-1-81	ll Cor	10:1-8; 11:21-end
,, ,,	l ,,	4:9-17
	11 ,,	1:8-15
1-2-81	Hebrews	3:1-14
·· <sup>&gt;</sup> , ··	97	3:14-4:11
6-2-81	II Cor	3:18-4: end
8-2-81	Hebrews	7:18-end
13-2-81	II Timothy	2:8-20
		4:1-9: 14-19
15-2-81	Hebrews	6:9-7:4
16-2-81	I Timothy	2:1-11
17-2-81	Romans	12:1-end

Colossian	s 3:1-4:2 (or Romans
Romans	9:14-10:18) 10:1-14 (or Hebrews
	12:13-end)
Hebrews	13:1-9, 16-22
51	8:1-9:11
II Cor.	10:4-end
I Timothy	6:9-end
I Cor.	15:34-58
	Romans Hebrews ,' II Cor. I Timothy

Chapters Read

Romans 9, 10, 12, 16 I Cor. 4,15 II Cor. 1,3,4,10 Galatians 3-5 Ephesians 2, 3, 5, 6 Colosians 3, 4 Timothy 2, 6 II ,, 2-4Titus 2, 3 Hebrews 3, 4, 6-9, 12, 13

From beginning of Lent to Easter 8 March 81 to 26 April 1981

8-3-81	Ephesians	4:17-5:5; 15-22
9-3-81	Romans	1:1-26
10-3-81		1:26-2:6
11-3-81	. 1	2:6-28
12-3-81		2:28-3:27
13-3-81	3.9	3:27-4: end

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5-3-81		5:1-end
)-3-81		7:1-14
2-3-81	19	7:14-25
7-3-81	**	7:25-8:12
9-3-81	10	8:12-28
D-3-81		9:1-14
1-3-81		9:14-30
1-4-81	11	9:30-10:18
2-4-81	*1	10:17-11:13
3-4-81	71	11:25-end
5-4-81		12:1-end
2-4-81		14:10-end
6-4-81	,,	18:1-end
7-4-81	99	15:1-14
9-4-81	* 1	11:13-25
0-4-81	Hebrews	1:1-2: end
1-4-81	17	4:14-6:9
22-4-81	*1	9:11-end
23-4-81	I Cor.	5:7-9
11 11		10:15-18
,, ,,		11:23-end
24-4-81	Galatians	2:17-3:15
Baptism	I Cor.	10:1-14
25-4-81	I Cor.	1:18-end
26-4-81	I Cor.	15:20-29
,, ,,	Romans	5:20-6:end
9	Hebrews	13:20-22

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Chapter		
	Romans 1-15	
	I Cor. 1, 5, 10,	11,15
	Galatians 2, 3	
	Ephesians 4, 5	-0.4
	Hebrews 1, 2,	4-6, 9, 13
From a	fter Easter to the end	of "Apostles"
	27 April 81 to 2 Aug	
27-4-81	Ephesians	6:10-end
28-4-81	I Cor.	15:1-20
29-4-81	Ephesians	4:1-17
30-4-81	Colossians	2:8-3:5
1-5-81	Hebrews	11:3-11,32-12:3
3-5-81	Colo.	1:1-21
10-5-81	Ephesians	1:1-15
Rabban H	lormizd Philemon	1-end
7-5-81	Philippians	1:12-27
	OR	
	II Cor.	12:1-14
Shmonie	Hebrews	11:3-11,32-12:3
17-5-81	Ephesians	1:15-2:6
24-5-81	Hebrews	10:19-37
31-5-81	Ephesians	2:4-end
4-6-80	I Timothy	1:18-2:end
7-6-81	I Timothy	3:14-end
	Philippians	1:27-2:12
14-6-81	l Cor.	12:1-28
19-6-31		12:28-13;end
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11-6-81	I Cor.	5:6-6:12
3-6-81	//	7:1-8
5-7-81	,,	9:13-end
2-7-81	,,	14:1-20
3-7-81	Ephesians	3:1-end
01110524	Or I Cor.	15:1-20
9-7-81	I Cor	10:14-33
6-7-81	• •	15:58-16:end
8-7-81	Hebrews	II:3–II, 32–I2:3
1-7-81	Romans	8:28-9:6
2-8-81	II Cor.	1:8-15
"hapters Re	ead	
	Romans 8	3, 9
- 0.088	I Cor. 5-	7, 9, 10, 12–16
by	II ,, I,	12
Tes-	Ephesians	s I-6
200	Colo. I-	3
2010	I Timothy	1-3
1	Philemon	(I-i)
an 21 3	Hebrews	10-12
From IInd	Sunday of S	ummer to the end of

From IInd Sunday of Summer to the end of Qudash Idtha. 9 August 81 to 6 Dec. 81

9-8-81	II Cor.	3:4-end
14-8-81	Romans	3:28-9:6
16-8-81	II Cor	7:1-12
19-8-81	II Timothy	1;18-2:end
	Н ,,	3:14-end
	Or Hebrews	12:18-end

23-8-81 30-8-81 4-9-81 6-9-81 11-9-81 13-9-81 20-9-81 26-9-81 27-9-81 4-10-81 11-10-81 18-10-81 25-10-81 |-||-8| 8-11-81 IInd Moses IIIrd Moses **IVth Moses** 15-11-81 22-1-81 29-11-81

6-12-81 Chapter's Read

10:1-end II Cor. 12:14-13:end . . 11:3-11, 32-12:3 Hebrews I Thessalonians 2:1-13 Ephesians 4:|-172:14-3: end I Thessalonians I:I-end , , I:18-end I Cor. 1:27-2:12 Philippians II Thessalonians 2:15-end of **Epistle** Philippians 1:12-26 3:1-15 4:4-end I Cor. 14:26-end II Cor. 1:23-2:17 Galatians 5:16-end Galatians 6:l-end Thimothy 5:1-17 I Cor. 12:28-13:end Hebrews 8:1-9:5 9:5-16 or | Cor. 2:10-3:end Hebrews 9:16-end Romans 8 I Cor. 1-3, 12-14 Cor 1-3, 7, 10, 12, 13.

Galatians 5, 6 Ephesians 4

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Philippians 1-4 I Thessalonians 2, 3 11 1-3 8, 9, 11, 12 Hebrews **Ipistles** Read 14 Dec 8 March 27 April 9 Aug Total to to to to 6 March 26 April 2 Aug 6 Dec 9,10, 1-15 12,16 omans 8,9 8 1-16 Cor 4,15 1, 5, 10 5-7, 9 1-3 1-7 11, 15 10,12-16 12-14 9-16 Cor 3, 4, 1-3 1-4 1, 12 7,10 7,10 10 12,13 12,13 Gala 3-5 2, 3 5,6 2-6 4,5 phe 2, 3, 1-4,6 4 1-6 5, 6 <sup>p</sup>hilipp 1, 2 1-4 1-4 Colo 3, 4 1 - 31-4 Thess 2, 3 2, 3 · ,/ 1-3 1 - 3Timo 2,6 5 1 - 31-3 5,6 2-4 I Timo 1 - 42,3 **i**itus 2, 3 1 hilemon lebrews 3, 4, 1, 2, 10-12 13 8, 9, 6-9, 4-6, 11. 12,13 9,13

Chapters not covered are

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I Cor. 8
II Cor. 5, 6, 8, 9, 11
Galatians 1
I Thess. 1, 4, 5
I Timothy 4
Titus 1
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The Epistles where all chapters are covered are

Romana	16	Chantora
Romans	10	Chapters
Ephesians	6	"
Philippians	4	11
Colossians	4	,,
II Thessalon.	3	, ,
II Timothy	4	8 8
Philemon	1	<b>9</b> 9
Hebrews	13	89

#### 14 Epistles

So we have seen 14 epistles that are read. In the case of 8 epistles all chapters are read. Of the remaining 6 epistles most of the chapters are read while some are left out.

In addition to these 14 books Acts of the apostles are also read. They are read along with all the Old Testament lessons. It is known as *Qiryana* (reading), read from the left side of the altar while the epistles are read the right side of the altar known as *Shleekhe* (apostles).

Counting 4 gospels and Acts only 19 books re read from the New Testament. There are 27 looks in the New Testament. 5 books of these 7 books are not found in the ancient Peshitta lew Testament manuscripts. The five books are

- 1. Il Peter
- 2. Il John
- 3. III John
- 4. Jude
- 5. Revelation

Out of the 22 books in our New Testament we have seen that 19 books are read in our Churches very year. The 3 books that are left out are

- 1. James
- 2. I Peter
- 3. I John

## CHAPTER IV

# LESSONS FROM ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

16- 23 30	1-81	Acts:	1:1-9, 13-15. 13:13-34 9:32-43 14:8-16
30 6-2	2-81		20:7-13 5:12-33 6:8-7:2 7:51-8:3
13			21:27-35
27 27-4 28 29 30 1-5	1-81 ,, 5-81		22:30-23:17. 12:25-13:13. 18:19-19:21 2:14-37 2:37-end 4:23-32 6-1-8 6:8-7:2,51-8:3
3 7			4:32-5:6 12:1-25
10	,,		5:34-end
	nonie's 5-81 ,,	Children	6:8-7:2,51-8:3 8:14-26 9:1-20 10:1-17

4-6-81	1:1-15
7 ,,	1:15-end
-4 ,,	2:1-22
9,,	3:1_end
1 ,,	4:5-23
8-7-81	6:8-7:2, 51-8:3.
1 ,,	13:13-24
	14:20-24
2-8.81	5:12-33
4 ,,	13:13-24
	14:20-24
4-9-81	6:8-7:2, 51-8:3.
26 ,,	2:14-37
Chapters read	1-10, 12-14, 18-2

*hapters read* 1-10, 12-14, 18-23 ,, not read 11, 15-17, 24-28.

Before Easter (16-1-81 to 27-2-81) chapters 1, 5-9, 12-14, 18-23 are read. Between Easter and the Ascension (27-4-81 to 31-5-81) chapters 2-10 & 12 are read. From the Ascension day to the festival of the Cross (4-6-81 to 26-9-81), chapters 1-8, 13, 14 are read. This book is not read during the rest of the year.

One thing is clear since this book deals with the Apostles it is not read in the period of Advent. Only after Christmas it is read. On ascension day & Pentecost day it is read because of the obvious reference to these events in the book of Acts.

One more observation is necessary. Chapters 13 to 28 in Acts are the works of St. Paul. Some chapters of the missionary activities of St. Paul described in chapters 15-17, 24-28 of this book are omitted. But at the same time one gets some details about St. Paul's journeys from the epistles that are read in the Churches.

Only less than half of the book of Acts is read in our Churches. Why chapter II is omitted, is not known.

### CHAPTER V

## PSALMS

There are 150 Psalms in the Old Testament. Only a few selected Psalms are often read and repeated during the morning and evening prayer in the Churches.

1.	From Advent to Lent	96, 97, 98
2.	From Lent to Easter	144, 145, 146
3.	From Easter to Pentecost	96, 97, 98
4.	From Pentecost to the	
	Festival of the Cross	144, 145, 146
5.	From Festival of the	
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Cross to Qudash Idtha 96, 97, 98

Hence the mostly used Psalms are 96 - 98, 144 - 146, 147 - 150. In addition to this, Psalms 15, 150 & 117 are used for ordinary days i.e., not on Sundays or festivals.

On festivals and Memorial days the following are used in case of some festivals.

Memorial of St. John the Baptist	19, 20, 21
,, Peter & Paul	33, 34
,, Four evangelists	<b>\$ 9</b>
,, Esthapanose	19, 20, 21
,. Greek Malpans	33, 34
Thursday of Bavootha of Ninavit	<b>es</b> 85,86

Memorial of Syriac Malpans			34	
,, one p	person	19,	20,	21
	or	25,	26,	27
	(if a martyr)	62,	63,	64
,, Anne	edha	87,	88	
,, Confe	essors	33,	34	
,, Mar C	Geevarghese	19,	20,	21
,, the C	hildren of Shmoni	33,	34	
Friday of gold			3 9	
72 disciples			,,	
Memorial of St. TI	homas	25,	26,	27
,, Mar N	<b>Aarie</b>	33,	34	
,, Kuria	kose		99	n
Festival of Transfiguration			97,	98
Fifth Friday of Summer			34	
Memorial of Shimon Bar Sabbae 19,			20,	21

In summary, the following 27 Psalms are read during Holy Qurbana Services. The remaining 123 Psalms are not read.

Psalms	15
	19 - 21
	25 - 27
	33 - 34
	62 - 64
	85 - 86
	87 - 88
	96 - 98
	117
	144 - 146
	147 - 150

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The psalms are always read by the priest and eacon as a responsive reading of alternate verses. Ometimes congregation also joins. All the other ible lessons are read by only one person while I the rest, whether clergy or laity, are just esteners. Psalms are read always at the beginning if service before all the other Bible lessons are read.

#### CHAPTER VI

## BOOKS OF MOSES

### FROM ADVENT TO LENT (14 DECEMBER TO 6 MARCH)

The first lesson which the deacon reads in from the first five books of the Old Testament Most of the days these books are read except a few as we see later. The third book Leviticus is not used from Advent to Lent.

> GENESIS EXODUS NUMBERS DEUTER RONOMY

14-1	2-80	17			
21	2 1		22:9-23:2		
28	37	18:1-20			
4-1	-81	24:50-е			
7	9.9				
1 1	9 9	21:1-22			
16	3 9		15:11-22		
19	3 2		2:1-11		
10	9 9				24:2-10
	, ,				24:15-е
23	5 9	0 0 6		0 0 0	
<b>9</b> 5	9 9		3:1-16		
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1-2	-81			10:29-11:11	_
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.7 ,,			• • •	
.9 ,,				14:2-15:5
Sth of Epi-				
phany		15:22-27	7	
Chapters	17, 18,		10, 11,	14, 15,
read	21, 24	2, 3, 15	22, 24	13, 24
	1.5			

#### LENT SEASON

8 March to 26 April 1981

During the Lent season only the first two (Genesis & Exodus) of the five books of Moses are read.

	GENESIS	EXODUS
8-3-81		34:1-3, 27-end
9 ,,	1:1-29	
10 ,,	1:20-2:8	

11 2 0 1	GENESIS	EXO
11-3-81	2:8-end	LAOI
13	3:1-20	
15	3:20-4:17	
20	5:18-32	
22	5:32-6: end	
27	7:1-end	
29	9:8-end	
30	11:1-end	
31	12:1-10	
1-4-81	12:10-13:8	
2	13:8-end	
2 ''	14:1-18	
5)	14:18-15:16	
10	16:1-17: end	
12	18:1-20	
17	19:1-27	
19	19:27-31	
20	49:1-13, 22-27	
21	37:1-23	
19 10 22	37:23-end	
23	39:7-40:end	
25		11.1
26	22:1-29	11:1-21
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Chapters read

$$1-7, 9, 11-19, 11.34$$
  
22, 37, 39, 40, 49

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#### FROM AFTER EASTER TO THE END OF "APOSTLES"

#### April to 2 August '81

After Easter until the day of Pentecost no essons are read from these first five books. From entecost to the end of the 7 weeks period of postles only Exodus and Deuteronomy are read.

	EXODUS	DEUTERONOMY
4-6-81	19:1-10	
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1 ,,		
1 ,,		1:3-18
5-7-81		1:16-34
		1:33-2:2
2 ,, 6 ,, 9 ,,	• • •	• • •
_9 ,,		4:1-10
26 ,,		4:10-25
28 ,,	• • •	• • •
31 ,,	• • •	• • •
2-8-81		4:25-32
Chapters rea	d	
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ROM SECOND SUNDAY OF SUMMER TO THE END OF QUDASH IDTHA

#### 9 August to 6 December 81.

In this season the book of Genesis is not read. The other four books of which Deuteronomy is mostly read.

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		EXODUS		NUM- BERS	DEUTERO- NOMY
9-8	8-81				4:1-41
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23 30	<b>7</b> 7		23:9 <b>-23</b>		5:16-6:44
4-1	9-81		•••	• • •	• • •
6	99		19:1-5, 9-15		
11 13	99		 19:15-19	• • •	• • •
	3 3		20:9-15		
20	5 7				6:20-7:6
26	9 <u>9</u>		• • •	• • •	•••
27 4-	,, 10-81				8:11-end 7:7-12
11 18	<b>9</b> 7				7:12-end 9:1-9
$\frac{10}{25}$	9 <i>9</i>				9:13-23
	,, 11–81				10:12-end
8					11:1-13
2nd	Moses				11:13-12:2
'3rd	Moses				12:1-26
4th	Moses				12:29-14:3
15-	11-81	40:17-end			
22-	11-80	39:32-40:17			
29	<b>99</b>			7:1-9:15-	
6-	12-81	0 0 T	000	•••	•••

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1.1	EXODU	JS		NUM- BERS	DEUTERO- NOMY
5. 1	19, 20, 39, 40	19	9, 20, 23	3 7,9	4-14
Let u	us add up	all the	four se	easons o	f the year
					of Moses.
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	SIS				RONOMY
4 Dec.	17,18,	15,	• • •	10,11,	14,15
		22-27		22,24	18,24
March					
	1-7,9,	11.24			
	11-19,22,				
7 April	37,39,49	1			
to		19			1,2,4
2 August	t				1,2,4
august		19,20	19,20,	7,9	4-14
to		39,40	23		
5 Dec.					
Chapter	s read		10	7 0 11	
				7,9–11,	
	11-19,21		-	22,24	
	22,24,37				18,24
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	8,10,				3,16,
	20,23, 12				17,19-23
	25-36, 1 38,			23	
	40-48				
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#### Chapter VII

## LESSONS FROM THE PROPHETS & OTHER OLD TESTAMENT BOOKS

From Advent to the Lent 14 December 80 to 6 March 81

14-1	2-80	Isaiah	42:18-43:14
21	"	99	43:14-44:6
28	29	Judges	13:2-25
4=1	81	I Sam	1:1-19
7	2.2	Isaiah	7:10-16
			9:1-4, 6-8
		Micah	4:1-4
			5:2-5, 7-10
11	3 P	I Sam	1:19-end
16	9 9	Micah	6:1-6
		Jeremiah	31:13-18
18	83	Isaiah	49:1-7
19	3.9	"	4:2-6
			11:1-6
			12:4-end
23	99	9 9	35:3-end
25	13		40:1-9
30		22	44:21-45:5
		II Kings	4:8-38
30	,	l Kings	18:30-40
1-2	- 81	Isaiah	45:11-18
1	8.2		45:18-46:5

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18-2	2-81	• 9	46:5-end
3	11	I Samuel	22:6-22
5	"	lsaiah	48:12-21
6		89	63:17-64: end
		Amos	5:3-16
		Habakuk	3:1-end
17	19	I Samuel	7:3-end
		Isaiah	59:1-19
8		Joel	2:1-28
		Jona	3:1-end
9	19	Isaiah	<b>65:16-66:3</b>
		Jeremiah	17:21-27
20	/ 3	II Kings	13:14-22
22	1/	Isaiah	63:7-17
27	1 >		41:8-17
1-3-	81	,,	42:5-10, 14-13
8th	Sunday		44:23-45
3-3-	81	Ezekiel	37:1-15
		Bar Sira	44:1-23
Cha	pters Re	ea <b>d</b>	
-	4	Judges 18	3
	9	I Samuel	1, 7, 22
		I Kings 18	3
		II Kings 4	13
		Isaiah 4, '	7, 9, 11
		12,	35, 40-46
		48, 4	49, 59
			63–66
		Jeremiah	17, 31

Ezekiel	37
Joel	2
Jona	3
Micah	4-6
Habakuk	3
Bar Sira	44

From the Lent to the Euster 8 March 81 to 26 April 81

8-	-3-81	lsaiah	58:1-14
9		Joshua	1:1-16
10	89	,,	1:16-2:12
11	,,	,,	2:8-end
12	99	,,	3:1-14
13	Ø 9		3:14-4:10
15	/ >	99	4:15-end
20	1 2		5:1-13
22	19	,,	5:13-6:6
27	9 P	19	6:6-end
29		12	6:27-7:16
30	5 P		7:16-end
31	11	,,	8:1-18
	-81		8:18-30
2	89	"	8:30-end
3		//	9:1-15
5		1 2	9:15-end
10	//	,,	14:6-end
12	19		20:43-22:10
17		,	22:10-21

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3-4-	-81	Zacharia	3:7-4:7, 11-end 7:9-11
			8:4-6, 12-20
			9:9-13
C	<i>Γ</i> γ	Joshua	22:21-30
11	38	19	22:30-23:2
2		31	23:1-end
3	£ .	Zacharia	9:9-13
			11:4-6, 12-14
			12:9-end
			13:7-end
-4		Isaiah	52:13-end
		"	53:1-end
		Daniel	9:21-end
5		Jonah	2:1-end
6	58	Isaiah	60:1-8
		I Samuel	2:1-11
Chap	ters	Read	
		Joshua	1-9, 14, 20-23
		I Samuel	2
		Isaiah	5 <b>2</b> , 53, 58, 60
		Daniel	9
		Jonah	2
		Zachariah	3, 4, 7-9, 11-13
From	Aft	er Easter t	o end of the A
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From After Easter to end of the Apostles 27 April to 2 August 81 27-4.81 Isaiah 60:9-end

28 ,, 61:1-10

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29-	-4-81			61:10-62:6
30	F 9		,,	54:1-16
1-	-5-81		Daniel	6:6-end
3			lsaiah	55:4-end
7	19		Daniel	6:6-end
10	•		Isaiah	55:1-8
16	9 P		Daniel	6:6-end
17			Isaiah	49:13-24
24	,,			49:7-14
31	,,		,,	51:9-12
				52:7-13
4-	-6-81		II Kings	2-1-16
7	1,		Isaiah	6:1-end
14	,,		• • •	
19			Isaiah	35:3-end
21	,,		Joel	2:15-27
28			Isaiah	1:1-10
5-	-7-81			1:10-21
12	//		11	1:21-end
16	8 8			55:4-end
			Jeremiah	1:4-6, 17-19
				15:19-end
19	1.		Isaiah	2:1-22
26	98		11	5:8-26
28	,,		Daniel	6:6-end
31	,,		Isaiah	41:3-21
2-	8-81		I Kings	18:30-40
		Or	lsaiah	2:22-3:16

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#### Chapters Read

I Kings	18
II Kings	2
Isaiah	1-3, 5, 6, 35, 41, 49, 51,
	52, 54, 55, 60-62.
Jeremiah	1, 15
Daniel	6
Joel	2

From 2nd Sunday of Summer to the end of Qudash Idtha

9 Aug. to 6 Dec. 81

9-8-	-81	Isaiah	3:16-4:end
11	/ >	"	41:8-21
16	/1	,,	5:1-8
19		19	6:1-end
23	19		9:8 end
30		1 2	28:14-23
4-9-	-81	Daniel	5:5-end
6		Isaiah	29:13-end
11		Zachariah	3:1-9
			2:1-10
		Malachie	2:5-8
13		Isaiah	30:1-15
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20	Isaiah	31:1-end	
26	11	52:13-53: end	
27 ,,	Isaiah	33:13-end	
4-10-81		30:15-27	
11 .,	, ,	32:1 33:7	
18 ,,	,,	25:1-9	
25 ,,		26:1-20	
1-11-80		28:23-29:13	
8 ,,		40:1-18	
IInd Moses		40:18-41:8	
Illrd Moses		41:8-21	
IVth Moses		41:21-42:5	
15-11-81		6:1-end	
22 ,	I Kings		
20	Isaiah	8:10-29	
<i>V V</i>		54:1-16	
6-12-81	l Kings	6:1-20	
	Ezekiel	43:1-7	
		44:1-6	

Chapters Read

I Kings 6, 8 Isaiah 3-6, 9, 25, 26, 28-33, 40-42, 52-54. Ezekiel 43, 44. Daniel 6. Zachariah 2, 3. Malachie 2.

TOTAL	1-9 14, 20-23	13	1, 2, 7, 22	6, 8, 18	2, 4, 13	1-7, 9, 11, 12	25, 26, 28-33	35, 40-46	48-55, 58-66	1, 15, 17, 31	37, 43, 44	6, 9	2	2	2, 3	4-6		2-4, 7-9, 11-13.	2	44
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8 MARCH TO 26 APRIL	1-9, 14, 20-23	•	2	• • • • • •	• • • • • • •		6 58, 60			•	e • • •	6	•	0 0 0 0 0	2	0 0 0 0 0		4, 7-9, 11-13		0 0 0 0
13 DEC TO 6 MARCH		13	1, 7, 22	T	IS 4, 13	4	12, 35, 40-46	48, 49, 59.	63-66	ah 17, 31	37	• • • • • •	2	5	ഹ	4-6	ഹ		• • • •	44
	1 Joshua	2 Judges		4 I Kings		6 Isaiah				7 Jeremiah 17,	8 Ezekiel	9 Daniel	10 Joel	11 Amos	12 Jonah	13 Micah	14 Habakuk	15 Zachariah	16 Malachi	17 Bar Sira

Books not read

- 1 Ruth
- 3 I Chronicles
- 5 Ezra
- 7 Esther
- 9 Proverbs
- 11 Song of Solomon
- 13 Hosea
- 15 Nahum
- 17 Haggai

- 2 II Samuel
- 4 II Chronicles
- 6 Nehemiah
- 8 Job
- 10 Ecclesiastes
- 12 Lamentations
- 14 Obadiah
- 16 Zephaniah

From the above chart it is clear that several books of the Old Testament are omitted. Out of the 39 books of the Old Testament we have found that five books of Moses are read. Of the remaining 34 books 17 books are read and 17 are omitted. Of the 17 books, Psalms have been listed separately. Instead Bar Sira is listed as No. 17. It is a book not found in the Bibles published by the Protestants. It is considered as one of the apocryphal books by them. Bar Sira is read only once, that is, on the day of the Memorial of the Anneedhe (Departed).

Among the 17 books which are read several chapters have been left out. Among the historical books Joshua is read most. 15 out of 24 chapters are read. Only 9 chapters i. e., 10 to 13, 15–18 & 24 are omitted. From I Samuel four chapters are storian Lectionary

ead while II Samuel is omitted. From Land II Kings are chapters each are read.

Isaiah is the most used book among the rophets, with 42 chapters read and 24 omitted. rom Zachariah 9 chapters, from Jeremiah 4 chaptirs, from Ezekiel and Micah 3 chapters, from Daniel and Jonah 2 chapters, from Joel, Amos, Habakuk and Malachie only one chapter each is lead.

#### CHAPTER VIII

## JULIAN CALENDAR

5th October 1582 A D was changed to 15th Oct. 1582 by Pope Gregory. This led to a difference of ten days between the old reckoning of Julian Calendar and the new reckoning of the Gregorian Calendar named after Pope Gregory. In the 20th century the difference is 13 days. Now the 5th Oct 1982 in Julian Calendar is 18 Oct 1982 in Gregorian Calendar. The year 1982 marks the 400th anniversary of the Calendar change.

Calendar calculation is not easy. But once the charts are available we can easily find out the dates. The following chart will help us to find 100 years in the Gregorian reckoning.

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This chart helps us to find the dates and the day of the period between 1981 and 2080 A. D. When one needs to know the date of the particular year look the alphabet next to that year. The alphabets used here are A to N. If we want to know the dates of sundays in December 1981, the alphabet is E. In the second chart we look under E for December item we can find the dates as 6, 13, 20, 27. Those are the days of Sundays in December 1981.

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## CHAPTER IX

# FIXED FESTIVALS & MEMORIALS

I Kanon	25	Jan.	7	Christmas Mar Kuriakos Shimon of Uigone Mar Abraham Malpana
II Kanon	1	Jan	14	Mar Shallitha of the village Aniethos (Wednesday Memorial of Mar Zaiya)
	6	,,	19	Epiphany
	26	Feb.	8	Martyrs who were martyred with Mar Geevarghese
A dar	25	lst W Apr.	e <b>d</b> . 7	Mar Geevarghese Glad tidings of Virgin Mary from angel Gabriel
N <b>i</b> san	15 24 27	May	7	Mar Shimun Bar Sabbae Mar Geevarghese Mar Christhapros, martyr

leyar	3 15	May	16 28	Children of Shmonie Marth Mariyam
Hsierar				Mar Mielies of Thalhish and the son of Khosrae
Thamu	s 1 3	July	14 16	Mar Azd of Kurhe St. Thomas Day
	5	• 9	18	Dumath and Mihrakhosth
	15	97	28	Mar Kuriakose martyr and his mother Yolethe
	31	Aug.	13	Shlemon Bakhoya, Bishop of Hedath who was ordained by Zaparan
Ab	2	Aug.	15	Children of Shmonie
	6	<i>  1</i>	19	Transfiguration of our Lord on Mount Tabor
Ab	10	Aug.	23	Mar Shallitha disciple of Mar Augin
	17	99	30	Isthratheniek and Silaochos
Eelul	1	Sep.	14	Rabban Hormizd, the Persian
	8		21	Birth of Marth Mariyam
	13		26	Festival of cross
	18	Oct.	1	Remembrance of Yonakhir and his wife Hanna, Mother of Marth Mariyam.
l Tishr	in 1	Oct.	14	Mar Khannanya who baptis- ed Mar Paulose, who beca- me the first Metropolitan of Darmsok (Damascus) Mar Yokhannan of Zarnoqa Mar Giniem of Hiertha

st Wed.

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4 ,, 10 ,, 12 ,,	17 23 25
13 ,,	26
15 ,,	28
Second Friday	
=irst Monday ,, 15 - ,,	
1. Modern cal	enda

Yokhannan of Kashkar Bachus & Sargis, martyrs. Mar Papa Catholicos <sup>1</sup>

Anosh who is called by the name of our Lord

Eight Children of Ephesus

Aqiv Shma, Bishop martyr

300 saints of shigar who were crowned.

Mar Yokhannan evengelist, son of Zabdee and Mar Geevarghese of Minamiesh, Mar Gabriel founder of Upper Monastery, Mar Mikhael friend of angels, Mar Kaoma, martyr.

Mar Naoma, martyr. Mar Pithyon

Mar Abraham of Beth Sayyade. Dadeesho, Kardakh and Habbeeva

Mar Qopiryani, martyr. Mar Yokhannan dghalmu Mar Geevarghese martyr

Memorial of all saints Mar Geevarghese of Minianiesh Mar Bukhthizad of Khurhe Rabban Moshe of Beth Sayyade (Mar Abdisho of Urmie

 Modern calendars state Mar Awa instead of Mar Papa.

16	Nov.	29	Mar Ignatius disciple of Bar Rama (Second Episcopa of
			Antioch
19	Dec.	2	Mar Yakob M'paska
			Mar Geevarghese and of
			Basilius
22		5	Twelve thousand martyrs

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## CHAPTER X MOVABLE DATES OF FESTIVALS & MEMORIALS

### Subara | Friday

Sunday

2nd Friday

Mar Gabriel of Karsa Mar Abdisho Armaya Isho Zkha. Gabriel, priest and head of the monastery Yokhanan, old man who dwelt in the place of Mar Elia and Khananisho, his sister's son Geevarghese, & Abraham of Beth Sayyade. Mar Yakob, Episcopa of Nisibis, one of 318, Yokhannan and Babai son of Nisibis. Shimon & Shahdost Barbashmin; Mar Isho Yabh Hnaniesho, Catholicoi and martyrs.

3rd Sunday

4th Sunday Christmas Ist Fri.

2nd Friday

4th Friday

Thursday after

5th

Epiphany 1st Mon.

,, Ist Fri. 2nd ,, 3rd ,, Isho Yabh Arzonaya Isho Yabh Gdalaya Mar Imme Mar Isho Savran Greegor the Persian and Mar Geevarghese Catholicoi

Mar Awa of Nineveh Mar Yakob, brother of our Lord who became episcopa in Jerusalem Memorial of the Shunaya

of the Blessed Marth Mariyam

Rabban Yalda Maronsaya Rabban Mosha Thalnaya who dwelt in Mar Bukhthiezad in Beth Sayyade Mar Yokhannan Mamdhana

Peter & Paul

4 evangelists and 150 bishops gathered in Macedonia Mar Pithyon Catholicos Mar Esthapanose

Greek Malpans

Bavootha of Ninevites Mar Yakob of Shazaz (Mar Savreesho)

6th Friday

,, Sunday

7th Friday 8th ,,

,, Sunday Wednesday after it

Thursday after it

9th Friday

Sauma (Lent) Sunday of beginning of Lent

Ist Friday

4th Sunday 6th ,,

Syriac Malpans Mar Aprem etc Mar Savreesho of Beth Garmai who ordered Ba'utha Mar Savreesho of Beth Kuka Mar Yonan of the mountain near Shigar (Rabban Pithyon of Dasan) Mar Awa Catholicos Memorial of all dead (Anneedhe) All Catholic Fathers Mar Thamsies Mar Knowaya Mar Akirshma Raya Mar Avun of Beth Nuhadran of Daira Mar Yozadaq 40 martyrs who were crowned in Ghieda Mar Savreesho of Beth Quga Yazdakhost, martyr thrown to the dogs, and they did not eat him Mar Yokhannan Dalyaya Mar Michael friend of angels

above from Mosul

6th Saturday	Episcopa, who was the Shepherd of camels
6th Friday	Mar Lazar, raised by our Lord, who was the first bishop of Cyprus
7th Sunday	Festival of Oshana
,, Thursday	Pis'ha of our Lord
,, Friday	Suffering of our Lord (Good Friday)
7th Saturday	Great Saturday
Next Sunday	Festival of Resurrection (Easter)
The whole week after	festival : Memorial of the Dead
Easter Ist Friday	Confessors' day Mar Shimon Bar Sabba etc.
New Sunday	Mama, martyr Mar Yohannan solitary of Kmol
Next Monday	Mar Abraham of Beth Madai
2nd Saturday	Mar Hannanya who is known to bears
3rd Monday	Rabban Hormizd the Persian from Shiraz of Mount Adrie.
,, Friday	Mar Adona and of Salmosth
4th Friday	Mar Saigis & Mar Bakhos, martyrs
5th Sunday	Mar Addai, apostle
5th Friday	Shirin, martyr

Ascension of our Lord. 40th day (Thursday) after Easter Friday after Ascension. Paole and Yokhannan Shleeha Ist Sunday Pentecost (Apostles) 1st Wednesday First Qurbana offered by Mar Yakob brother of our Lord First Marth Mariyam received the Qurbana then the apostles Friday of gold Ist Friday The lame was healed at the gate of temple by Peter & John Mar Pithyon of Dasan and 6th Sunday Thuma Mar Ithielasa; martyr of the house of Nuhadran 7th Friday 72 apostles Oaita (Summer) Ist Sun. Nusardail, i. e. Memorial of 12 apostles Ist Friday Mar Yakob of Nisibis, one of 318 Sova ,, 19 11 Sargis Duda 2nd Friday Mar Mari Shleeha, disciple of the East

3rd Friday	Mar lyyob Hdayyavaya
5th Friday	Shmonie & her children
6th Friday	Mar Shimun Bar Sabbaye Catholicos and martyr, were crowned on Good Friday. And their memorial is made
7th Friday	on the Friday of confessors. Mar Kardakh, martyr
Elia 3rd Friday	Memorial of Mar Elia Nwiya
L.Ha JIG I HUay	Tashbyaya
	Mar Isho Yabh, founder of
	the monastery of Shizaz.
	Mar Qayumma of Baz
Elia 7th Friday	Mar Yosip
	Mar Avraham placed in Beth Quga
Moshe Ist Sunday	Mar Moshe, first of prophets
,	Mar Gavrona of Qartha
	Saint Apnimaran of Kurkma
	i. e. of Zaparan
Qudash Idtha Ist Sun	. Hallowing of the Church
	and entering
Ist Friday	Mar Mikhael of Tharail
2nd Sunday	Mar Yohannan Thayyaya
	of the Church of Martha
3rd Friday	Holy Mar Augin
	9 Fridays after Epiphany, orial of 40 martyrs before the

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Memorial of the Dead (Anneedhe)

## CHAPTER XI DATES OF EASTER

Tulian	Calend	lar	Gregorian	Calendar
	April	May	March	April
1980	6			6
81	<b>2</b> 6			19
83	18			11
83		8		3
34	22			22
85	14			7
86		4	30	
87	19			19
88	10			3
89	30		26	
: 1990	15			15
91	7		31	-
92	26			19
93	18			11
94		1		3
95	23			16
96	14			7
97	27		30	
98	19			12
99	11			4
2000	30			23 .

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#### Eastern Calendar

Easter is on A	April 26	in	1981	as	well	as	in	1992
It is on April	18	in	1982	as	well	as	in	1993
	14		1985					1996
	19	37	1987					1998
11	30	97	1989					2000

So when we examine the coming 21 years we find about half (i. e. ten years) where the 11 year rule applies. In the remaining 11 years in some cases the difference is only of one. It may be due to the leap year. For example.

The Easter is on April 6 In 1980 and it is on April 7 in 1991

<i>9</i> 9	22 ,,	1984	11	23	1995
11	10 ,,	1983	₽ ₽	11	1999

But in the case of the following four years the difference is one week and not one day.

The Easter is on May 8 in 1988 and it is on May 1 in 1994

, May 4 ,, 1986 ,, April 27 in 1997

Western Calendar

Easter is	on	April	19	in	1981	as	wellas	in	1992
			11	, ,	1932				1993
			90	11	1983				1994
			7	,,	1985		• /		1996
	Francis	March	30	/ 1	1986				1997

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o the Easter of 1981, 92 83, 85, 86 will be epeated eleven years later. But in the Julian calendar it was 1981, 82, 85, 87 and 89 that are epeated.

While Easter was on April 19 in 1987 accordng to both calendars, one would expect that aster will be on April 19 again eleven years later e. 1998. But the two calendars will not coinide in 1998. Neverthless the Julian Calendar late is on April 19 as 1897. But the Gregorian Calendar observes one week earlier. Here we note that Julian Calendar follows the eleven year ule. But the Gregorian does not. The Easter of 1988 is on April 3 and eleven years later it is on April 4. The difference of one day is owing to the act that 1983 is a leap year while 1999 is not. But a year later the difference is not one day but nearly one month (4 weeks). The Easter in 1989 is on March 26 and eleven years later in 2000 AD it is on April 28. It was March 26 eleven years earlier twice i. e. in 1978 and 1967. March 26 could be expected on 2000 just like 1978 and 1989. But instead of March 26 the date is April 23. Th full moon of summer comes late. If the full moon of March comes before 22 it is not counted to be the Passover moon. So we wait till the next moon in April. Easter comes in March only if the full moon appears after 22. Otherwise it is always in

April. In 1956 instead of March 26 it was on April 1. Yes the moon moves.

April 1.	yes the m	0011110	VES.			
1981	Nisan	13	April	26		
82	, ,	5		18		
83	,,	25			May	8
84	, ,	9	April	22		
85	<i>,</i> ·	1		14		4
86	9 F	21	A	10	May	4
87	//	6	April	19		
88	Adar	28		10		
89	Nisan	17		30		
90		2	19	15		
91	Adar	25	, ,	7		
92	Nisan	13	, ,	26		
93		5	11	18		
94		18			May	1
95		10	April	23		
96	8 4	1	,,	14		
97	11	14	11	27		
98	19	6		19		
99	Adar	29		11		
2000	Nisan	17		30		
2001		2	April	15		
02	11	22			May	4
03		14	April	27		
04		29	19	11		
05		18			May	1
06	8 T	10	April	23		
07	Adar	26	7.9	8		
08	Nisan	14	, ,	27		

2009	Nisan	6	April	19		2011
10	Adar	22	//	4		
11	Nisan	11		21		
12	• //	2	89	15		
13	19	22			May	5
14	, 1	7	April	20		
15	Adar	30	1 2	12		
16	Nisan	18	*		May	1
17		3	April	16		
18	Adar	26	9.9	8		
19	Nisan	15	<i>I I</i>	28		
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21	11	19			May	2
22	11	11	April	24		
23	//	3	9 F	16		
24	, ,	22			May	5
25		7	April	20		,
26	Adar	30		13		1
27	Nisan	19			May	54
28		3	April	16		1
29	Adar	26	13	8.		
30	Nisan	15	r P	28		
31	Adar	31	P 1	13		
32	Nisan	19			May	2
33	91	11	April	24		
34	Adar	27		9		
35	Nisan	16	11	29		
36	9 0	7		· 20		
37	Adar	23		5		
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2038	Nisan	12	April	25		
39	, ,	4		17		
40	8 9	23			May	6
41		8		21		
42	Adar	31	9 g	13		
43	Nisan	20			May	3
44	. 1	1	10	14		
45.	Adar	27	9.9	9		
16	Nisan	16		29		
47	9.9	8		21		
48		23		5		
49	11	12		25		
50	11	4		17		

During 1950—1979, we have noted that most of the years fell in April, the earliest was on April 5 in 1953. Only four times during those 30 years we have observed Easter in May. They were in 1956, 59, 64 and 75. The dates were 6, 3, 3, 4 respectively. So the latest date observed was May 6 in 1956 and the earliest was April 5 in 1953.

During 1980—2020, we can note that as usual Easter falls in April in most years except seven times in these next 40 years. They are

1983	May	8
86	,,	4
93	/ 1	1
2002	F F	4
05	, ,	1
13		5
16	9.9	1

In these 40 years the earliest is April 4 in 2010 and the latest is May 8 in 1983.

One more observation is relevant. During the past 30 years the difference between the earliest date April 5 and the latest date May 6 is 32. But that difference during the next 40 years in 35. (between April 4 and May 8). This period makes it five weeks. That is the maximum difference between Easter dates so far seen between the two calendars.

In Gregorian Calendar the earliest Easter during the past 30 years is March 25 in 1951 and the latest April 22 in 1962 and '73. During the next 40 years the earliest is on March 22 in 2008 and the latest on April 24 in 2011. The difference between the two dates is 33 days.

In the Syriac book on the calendar published by the Archbishop of Cantebury's Mission in Urmia in 1893 the dates are given at every page for the following ten festivals

- 10. Qudash Idtha
  - 9. Moshe
  - 8. Elia
  - 7. Nusardail
  - 6. Pentecost
  - 5. Ascension
  - 4. Easter
  - 3. Lent
  - 2. Ba'utha
  - 1. Subara

The day of the festivals of fixed dates are given.

5. Cross	
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- 4. Gilyana (Transfiguration)

3. Mariyam 2. Geevarghese

1. Epiphany

This is marked by 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 depending on the day of the week. It also gives the number of Fridays between Epiphany and Lent, 4 or 5 or 6 or 7 or 8.

The foundation and Eparchy (Hpakhatha) are also given. Details of the years 1958 - 2489 are given.

Both calendars coincided during the following years in the past 30 years 1950 - 1979.

1953	1960	1974
57	66	77

During the next 40 years (1980 - 2020) they will coincide on the following years.

1980	2001	2011
84	04	14
87	07	17
90	10	

The important dates of festivals in 1980 for the both calendars are given below.

-	Gregor Calend		Julian Calendo	
Christmas	Decembe	er 25	January	7
Epiphany	January	6	11	19
Good Friday	April	4	10	4
Easter	59	6	2.9	6
Ascension	May	15	May	15
Pentecost	11	25		25
St. Thomas Day	July	3	19	16
Transfiguration	August	6	August	19

#### CHAPTER XII

## FIXING FESTIVAL DATES

In 1981 when Easter came late on April 26, the beginning of lent was on March 7 and Ba'utha (Rogation of Ninavites) was on February 16 – 18. So the first Friday after Epiphany was St. John the Baptist on January 23, the second Friday was Peter & Paul & four evangelists on January 30, and the third Friday was Mar Esthapanose on February 6 and fourth Friday was Greek Malpans on February 13 and 5th Friday (after Ba'utha) was Syriac Malpans on February 20 and 6th Friday was Mar Awa Catholicos on February 27 and the 7th Friday was Anneedhe on March 5.

		SHAVOA WEEKS		
1.	Advent	(Subara)	4 W	Veeks
2.	Epiphany	(Denha)	7	
3.	Lent	(Sawma)	7	"
4.	Easter	(Qyamta)	7	
5.	Apostles	(Shlihe)	7	
6.	Summer	(Qayta)	7	
7.	Elia	(Eliya)	7	
8.	Moses	(Moshe)	7	
9.	Dedication	(Qudash Edta)	4	, ,
		Total	57 W	leeks
Bet	ween Christ	mas and Epiphany	2	
Aft	er Epiphany	8th Sunday	1	<i>F P</i>
			60 W	Veeks

8th week of Epiphany comes very rarely. In the next 20 years, it comes only 5 times in 1983, 1986, 1989, 1994 and 2000. There are four Sundays of Sliwa, but they overlap with Elia. Hence 60 weeks are adjusted to the 52 weeks of the year according to date of Easter which depends on the first full moon after April 3.

N. B. In Catholic Chaldean Calendar, 8th week of Epiphany comes only once in 25 years.

Ba'utha is three weeks before lent or ten weeks before Easter. It is always on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday. Thanksgiving is observed on Thursday. After that week there will be two weeks for lent. So if the Easter is after April 10, Ba'utha is in February. If the Easter is earlier, Ba'utha is at the end of January. For Example Easter in 1980 is on April 6. Hence lent begins on 16th February, i.e. 7 weeks prior to the Easter date. Since lent begins on 16th February Ba'utha begins 3 weeks prior i.e. 27 January.

Epiphany (*Dinha*) is a fixed festival. It is 13th day after Christmas. As Christmas is on January 7th the Epiphany is fixed for January 19, whether it is Sunday or Monday or any day of the week.

In Hudra, prayers of *Ba'utha* are given alter 5th Sunday of Epiphany. But when *Ba'utha* comes on 27th January (in 1989) there are only 8 days after Epiphany. That is the second Sunday after Epiphany.

Memorial of Mar Yonan is always on a Sunday, i.e. Sunday after *Ba'utha*. When Easter is in May there will be 5 weeks of Epiphany before *Ba'utha*. There are eight memorial days between Epiphany and lent. They are as follows:

1st	Friday	St. John the Baptist
2nd	21	St. Peter & Paul
3rd		The four Evangelists
4th		Mar Esthapanose
5th	# E	The Greek Doctors
6th		The Syriac Doctors
7th	F I	Mar Awa Catholicos
		(Had Parsopa)
8th	₽.₽	Of the dead (Anneedhe)

Of them, Peter & Paul is combined with four evangelists. The Greek doctors are combined with Syrian doctors. Thus the shortage of two weeks can be adjusted when Easter is earlier. In 1980 Easter is very early on 6th April. Hence further combinations are required. The combined Memorial day of Peter & Paul and 4 evangelists is observed on the day of St. John the Baptist which is on the Friday after Epiphany that is January 25th.

Due to shortage of time if memorial of Mar Esthapanose (4th week) and Greek Doctors (5th week) cannot be observed before *Ba'utha*, the Greek Doctors can be combined along with Syrian Doctors on the Friday of the *Ba'utha* week and Mar Esthapanose can be observed on the following week with Mar Awa Catholicos. Hence in 1980 Greek Doctors are on February 1 along with Syrian Doctors and Mar Esthapanose is on February 8 along with Mar Awa.

Festival of the Cross in a fixed festival on September 26 (Elul 13) The week after the festival is called Sliwa 1 which is on Elia 4. If the Easter is late, Festival of Cross may be on 7th week of Summer (*Qaita*). Since Elia weeks have to begin before Festival of Cross, the 7th week of summer is observed along with 6th week of 16 summer so that Elia weeks can<sup>®</sup> begin on the 7th week of summer.

Since Sleeva I is observed along with Elia 4, if September 26 comes one week after Elia I, we observe Sleeva 1 & Elia 4 immediately after Elia 1. Then after Elia 4, we observe Elia 2 and Elia 3 as it is in 1976.

#### CHAPTER XIII

## SAMPLES FROM 1950-2000

## 1953 A.D.

1st Friday	after E	Epiphany	,
		<b>Jan.</b> 23	St. John the Baptist
			St. Peter and Paul
			& 4 evangelists
2nd	F F	,, 30	Greek & Syrian Malpans
3rd	5.8	Feb. 6	Mar Esthapanose
			Mar Awa Catholicos
4th	11	,, 13	Dead (Anneedhe)
Lent begin	ns on F	ebruary	15 and Easter is on April 5
Ba'utha	is on .	January 2	26-29.

1954 A.D.

Ist Friday	after	Epiphany
		Jan. 22 St. John the Baptist
2nd	7 <b>9</b>	" 29 Peter & Paul and
		4 Evangelists
3rd	/ /	Feb. 5 Mar Esthapanose
4th	/ /	,, 12 Greek Malpans
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6 <b>th</b>	11	,, 26 Mar Awa Catholicos
7th		Mar. 5 Dead (Anneedhe)

Lent beginning on Mar. 7 and Easter is on April 25 Ba'utha is on February 15-18.

## 1962 A.D.

1st Friday	after	Epiph	any	
		Jan.	26	St. John the Baptist
2nd	<b>3</b> 9	Feb.	2	St. Peter & St. Paul &
				4 Evangelists
3rd	2.9	9.9	9	Mar Esthapanose
4th	3.2	2.5	16	Greek Malpans
5th	2.9	79	23	Syrian Malpans
6th	9 9	Mar.	2	Mar Awa Catholicos
7th	* 9	2.9	9	Dead (Anneedhe)

Lent on March 11 and Easter on April 29 Ba'utha on February 19-22.

#### 1968 A.D.

1st Friday	after	Epiph	any	/
		Jan.	26	St. John the Baptist
2nd	9 9	Feb.	2	Peter and Paul and
				4 Evangelists
3rd	2.2	,,,	9	Mar Esthapanose
4th	22	9 9	16	Greek & Syrian Malpans
ōth	<b>9</b> 9	99	23	Mar Awa Catholicos
6th	3 N	Mar.	1	Dead (Anneedhe)

February 3 beginning of Lent & April 21 Easter Ba'utha is on February 12-15.

### 1983 A. D.

Easter is on May 8, Lent begins on March 20 and Ba'utha on February 30 – March 1

1st Friday after Epiphany

		Jan.	21	St. John the Baptist
2nd	9 9	• •	28	St. Peter & Paul
8rd	9 9	Feb.	4	Four Evangelists
4th	<b>9</b> 9	99	11	Mar Esthapanose
5th	9.9	3 3	18	Greek Malpans
6th	5 9	,,	25	Syrian Malpans
7th	9 9	Mar.	4	Mar Awa Catholicos
8th	5 9	22	11	Forty Martyrs
9th	92	3 2	18	Of the Dead (Anneedhe)

#### 1986 A.D.

Easter is on May 4. Lent begins on March 16 Ba'utha on February 24 – 26 1st Friday after Epiphany

			<b>Jan.</b> 24	St. John the Baptist
2nd		2.9	,, O.	St. Peter and Paul
3rd		3.3	Feb.	Four Evangelists
4th		2.9	,, 14	Mar Esthapanose
5 <b>th</b>	-	9 <i>9</i>	,, 2.	Greek Malpans
6 <b>th</b>		2 9	,. 28	Syrian Malpans
7th		5 F	Mar.	Mar Awa Catholicos
Sth		5 5	,, 14	Of the Dead (Anneedhe)

## 1994 A.D.

Easter is on May 1, Lent Begins on March 13 Ba'utha is on February 22 - 24

1st Friday after Epiphany

	Jan.	21 St. John the Baptist
2nd ,.	9.9	28 St. Peter and St. Paul
3rd ,	Feb.	4 Four Evangelists
4th ,,	9 9	11 Mar Esthapanose
5th ,	9 g	18 Greek Malpans
6th ,	9.9	25 Syrian Malpans
7th ,,	Mar.	4 Mar Awa Catholicos
8th ,	ه و	11 Of the Dead (Anneedhe)

## 2000 A. D.

Easter is on April 30, Lent begins on March 12 Ba'utha is on February 21 – 23

1st Friday after Epiphany

		Jan.	21	St. John the Baptist
2nd	2.2	,,	28	St. Peter and Paul
3rd	9 9	Feb.	4	Four Evangelists
4th	<b>7</b> 7	9 9	11	Mar Esthapanose
5th	2.3	9 9	18	Greek Malpans
6th	9 9	5 F.	25	Syrian Malpans
7th	۹ و	Mar.	3.	Mar Awa Catholicos
8th	9 9	,,	10	Of the Dead (Anneedhe)

The dates of 1989 is the same except in January and February when it is one day less, as 1989 is not leap year like 2000. As for the dates in March and April it is identical

#### CHAPTER XIV

## FESTIVALS & MEMORIALS 1979-82

## 1979

January	4 Mar Abraham Malpana
	7 Christmas
	17 First Wednesday. Memory of Mar
	Zaiya
	19 Epiphany
	23 Mar Yohannan Mamdhana
February	2 Peter & Paul and four Evangelists and Mar Pithyon Catholicos
	8 Martyrs who became martyrs with
	Mar Geevarghese
	9 Mar Esthapanose, martyr
	12, 13, & 14 Rogation of the Ninavites
	(Ba'utha)
	15 Thursday of Ba'utha (of thanks- giving)
	16 Syrian and Greek Malpans and
	Mar Savreesho of Beth Garmai who

18 Mar Awa Catholica

ordered Ba'utha

#### March

- 2 Friday of the Departed
  - 4 Beginning of Lent and of Mar Savreesho of Beth Koka
- 20 First Wednesday. Memorial of Mar Geevarghese
- 25 Mar Yohannan Dalyaya
- 28 Wednesday of mid Lent

#### April

- 7 Glad tidings to St. Mary by angel Gabriel
- 8 Mar Michael, friend of angels: from Mosul
- 13 Friday of Lazar or 40th
- 14 Bishop, Shepherd of camels
- 15 Sunday of Oshana
- 19 Maundy Thursday
- 20 Good Friday
- 21 Great Saturday or Baptism
- 22 Easter Festival
- 23, 24, 25 & 26 Shabbath Shabe
- 27 Friday of Confessors
- 28 Saturday of Shabbath Shabe Mar Shimun Bar Shabbaye, Catholicos and martyr
- 29 New Sunday
- 6 Rabban Hormizd the Persian
  - 7 Mar Geevarghese, the martyr
  - 10 Mar Christhapros, the martyr
  - 15 First Tuesday, the Memorial of the Children of Shmoni

May	18 20 28 31	martyrs Mar Adhai Shleeha
June	1 10 13 15 16	First Liturgy Qurbana conducted by Mar Yacob, the brother of our Lord. First Marth Mariyam re- ceived (communion) and then the disciples Friday of Gold
July	17 28	St. Thomas Day Memorial of 72 Apostles Mar Kuriakose, child and Yoliethe his mother Festival of Nusardail, Memorial of twelve Disciples
August	10 13 15	Mar Yakob of Nisibis, one of the 318 Mar Mari Shleeha, disciple of the East Mar Shleemon Bakhoya, of Hdatha who is ordained by Zaparan Children of Shmoni Iyob Khadayyavaya

- August 19 Transfiguration
  - 23 Mar Shallitha, disciple of Mar Augin
  - 28 Death of the Blessed Virgin Mary
  - 31 Shmoni and her children
- September 7 Mar Shimon Bar Sabbaye
  - 14 Rabban Hormizd the Persian
  - 21 Birth of Virgin Mary
  - 26 Festival of the Cross

#### October

- 1 Memory of Yonakhir and Khanna, his wife, mother of Marth Mariyam
- 11 Memorial of Mar Elia prophet, the Thishbite and Mar Isho Yabh founder of the Church at Shizaz and Mar Qayuma of Baz
- 14 Mar Khannanya who baptised Mar Poulose
- 15 Mar Papa Catholicos
- 26 Mar Yohannan the evangelist and Mar Gabriel the founder of the Upper Daira: and Mar Michael friend of the angels.
- 28 Mar Pithyon

#### November

- 3 Mar Moses, first of prophets, Mar Gavrona of Kartha and Holy Apni Maran dkurkma or Keith Saparen
- 14 Mar Kopiryani Sahda
- 17 Qudash Idtha

November	<ul> <li>8 Mar Geevarghese Sahda</li> <li>2 Mar Michael of Thareil</li> <li>4 Mar Yohannan Thayyaya</li> <li>8 Memorial of all saints</li> <li>Abdisho of Urmiah</li> <li>0 Mar Ignatius of Bar Rama</li> <li>Bishop of Antioch</li> </ul>	
•	<ul> <li>Mar Yakob M'Paska</li> <li>Twelve thousand Martyrs</li> <li>Mar Augin Resh Sitha</li> <li>Beginning of Advent fast</li> <li>First day of Subara</li> <li>Shimon: and Sahdhost</li> <li>Bashmin: and Mar Isho Y</li> <li>Khananisho, Catholicos</li> <li>martyrs.</li> <li>Ishoyabh Arzonaya: and</li> </ul>	and Bar abh. and ses and Ishoyabh
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February	7 9 14 16	Mar Esthapanose Mar Yonan Anneeda Lent begins
March	12 19 28 30	Mid Lent Mar Geevarghese Sahda Friday of Lazar Oshana
April	3 4 5 6 7 11 13 28	Pes'ha Good Friday Holy Saturday Easter Glad news to St. Mary Confessors' Day New Sunday Mar Shimun Bar Sabbae
May	4 15 25 28 30	Mar Adhai Shleeha Ascension Pentecost Marth Mariyam First Qurbana Friday of Gold
July	11 13 16 25 28	Memorial of 72 Disciples Nusardail & 12 Disciples St. Thomas Day Mar Mari Mar Kuriakose

August	14	15th day fast begins
	15	Shmonie & Children
	19	Transfiguration
	22	Mar Shimun Bar Sabbae
	28	Death of Virgin Mary
	29	Mar Qardakh
	31	No marriage (Elia I)
September	19	Mar Elia Nwiya
u u	21	Birth of Marth Mariyam
	26	Festival of Cross
October	15	Mar Papa Catholicos
	19	Memorial of Mar Moshe
	28	Mar Pithyon
November	16	Qudash Idtha
	17	Mar Geevarghese Day
	23	Tithe
December	2	Mar Yakob M'Paska
	5	Mar Augin Thuvana
	14	Advent begins
		First Sunday of Subara

## 1981

January	7	Christmas
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- 16 Marth Mariam
- 19 Epiphany
- 23 St. John the Baptist Day
- 30 St. Peter & Paul & 4 Evangelists

February	15 16 - 19	Greek Malpans No marriage 18 Ba'utha of Ninavites Thanksgiving of Ba'utha Syrian Malpans
March	6 8 18	Anneedhe Lent begins Mar Geevarghese Sahda
April	1 7 17 19 23 24 25 26 28	Mid Lent Glad News to St. Mary Friday of Lazar Oshana Pes'ha Good Friday Holy Saturday Easter Mar Shimon Bar Sabbae
May	1 3 7 24 28	Confessors' Day New Sunday Mar Geevarghese Mar Adhai Shleeha Marth Mariyam
June	<b>4</b> 14	Ascension Pentecost

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June July		Kuriakose
August	14 15	15th Day Fast Begins
September	11 18 20 21 26	No marriage (Elia I)
October		Mar Papa Catholicos Mar Elia Nwiya Mar Pithyon
November	9 15 16 22	Memorial of Mar Moshe Qudash Idtha Mar Geeva <sup>,</sup> ghese Day Tithe
December	2 4 13 14	

January	<ul> <li>7 Christmas</li> <li>15 Marth Mariam</li> <li>19 Epiphany</li> <li>22 St. John the Baptist</li> </ul>
February	<ol> <li>Peter &amp; Paul &amp; 4 Evangelists</li> <li>Mar Esthapanose</li> <li>11 Ba'utha (Rogation of the Ninavites)</li> <li>Syrian and Greek Malpans</li> <li>Mar Yonan</li> <li>Friday of the departed</li> <li>Beginning of the Lent</li> </ol>
March	<ul><li>17 Mar Geevarghese</li><li>24 Mid Lent</li></ul>
April	<ul> <li>7 Glad Tidings to St. Mary by Gabriel</li> <li>9 Friday of Lazar</li> <li>11 Palm Sunday</li> <li>15 Maundy Thursday</li> <li>16 Good Friday</li> <li>18 Easter</li> <li>23 Friday of Confessors</li> </ul>
May 18	<ul> <li>7 Mar Geevarghese Day</li> <li>16 Memorial of Mar Addai</li> <li>27 Ascension</li> </ul>

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June	6 11	
July	16 23 25 28	
August	-	Mar Mari Transfiguration Death of Virgin Mary
September	10	Mar Qardakh First Sunday of Elia (No marriage ceremony allowed)
October	14 15	Mar Hannania who baptised Paul Mar Papa Catholicos
November	14 15	Hallowing of the Church Mar Geevarghese Day
December	2 3 14	Mar Yakob M'Paska Mar Augin Thuvana Beginning of Advent

#### CHAPTER XV

## JULIAN CALENDAR FESTIVAL DATES

#### CHRISTMAS IS ON JANUARY 7th EVERY YEAR

Epiphany is on January 19 Pentecost is on the 10th day after the Ascension day. St. Thomas Day is on July 16 Festival of Cross is on September 26 Advent fast begins on December 14

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1982	₽ ₽	15	,,	16		18	May	27

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1986	May	1	May	2	May	1	June	12
1987	April	16	April	17	April	19	May	28
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1989	47	27	2.3	28	11	30	June	8
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1991	11			5	11	7	May	16
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1996	11	11	11	12	11	14	May	23
1997	11	21	11	25	11	27	June	5
1998	11	16	//	17	11	19	May	28
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## CHAPTER XVI

# Easter dates according to Gregorian & Julian Calendars (1950 - 2100)

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The three dates given in bracket are according to the recent Orthodox study.

The	year that	coincide in	2050 - 2100	are
2055	2061	2075	2085	2095
2058	2069	2082	2091	2099

If the recent Orthodox study is correct, the calendars will coincide on two more years on April 19 and April 15 respectively.

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